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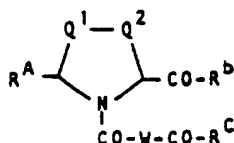
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(54) Thiazolidine and pyrrolidine compounds, processes for their preparation and pharmaceutical compositions containing them.

(57) Thiazolidine and pyrrolidine compounds which have the general formula



and salts thereof for preventing or relieving diabetic complications and for reducing blood pressure, the processes for their preparation, and the compositions comprising them and pharmaceutically acceptable excipient(s).

1 aryloxycarbonyl and heteroaryloxycarbonyl;

(b) (i) phenyl and naphthyl, and

(ii) phenyl and naphthyl substituted by at least one substituent selected from the group consisting of lower alkyl, lower alkenyl, halogeno-lower alkyl, hydroxy, lower alkoxy, halogeno-lower alkoxy, aralkyloxy, aryloxy, acyloxy, halogen, nitro, cyano, amino, lower alkylamino, dialkylamino, acylamino, mercapto, acylmercapto, lower alkylthio, carboxy, lower alkoxy-carbonyl, aralkyloxycarbonyl, aryloxycarbonyl, sulfamoyl, lower alkylaminosulfonyl and lower alkylsulfinyl;

(c) (i) furyl, thienyl and pyridyl, and

(ii) furyl, thienyl and pyridyl substituted by at least one substituent selected from the group consisting of lower alkyl, lower alkenyl, halogeno-lower alkyl, hydroxy, lower alkoxy, halogeno-lower alkoxy, aralkyloxy, aryloxy, acyloxy, halogen, nitro, cyano, amino, lower alkylamino, dialkylamino, acylamino, mercapto, acylmercapto, lower alkylthio, carboxy, lower alkoxy-carbonyl, aralkyloxycarbonyl, aryloxycarbonyl, sulfamoyl, lower alkylaminosulfonyl and lower alkylsulfinyl;

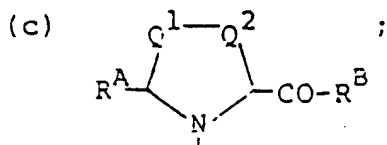
$R^C$  is selected from the group consisting of

(a) (i) hydroxy, lower alkoxy and amino, and

(ii) lower alkoxy, and amino substituted by at least one substituent selected from the group consisting of lower alkyl, aralkyl, heteroaralkyl, aralkenyl, heteroaralkenyl, hydroxy, lower alkoxy, aralkyloxy, heteroaralkyloxy, aryloxy, hetero-aryloxy, acyloxy, aryl, heteroaryl, substituted aralkyl and substituted aryl wherein the substituent is lower alkyl, lower alkoxy, halogen or amino;

(b) (i) aryloxy and heteroaryloxy, and

(ii) aryloxy and heteroaryloxy substituted by at least one substituent selected from the group consisting of lower alkyl, hydroxy, lower alkoxy, halogen and amino, and



1 -O-, -CO-, -S-, -SO-, -SO<sub>2</sub>-,  $\begin{array}{c} \text{--C--} \\ || \\ \text{N-R}^{20} \end{array}$ , -NHCONH-,  $\begin{array}{c} \text{--N--} \\ | \\ \text{N} \end{array}$  or  $\begin{array}{c} \text{--N--} \\ | \\ \text{R}^{21} \end{array}$  ;

l, m, n, p, q, r, s and t each is 0, 1, 2 or 3;  
 R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>2</sup>, R<sup>3</sup>, R<sup>4</sup>, R<sup>5</sup>, R<sup>6</sup>, R<sup>7</sup>, R<sup>8</sup>, R<sup>9</sup>, R<sup>10</sup>, R<sup>11</sup>, R<sup>12</sup>, R<sup>13</sup>, R<sup>14</sup>,  
 R<sup>15</sup>, R<sup>16</sup>, R<sup>17</sup>, R<sup>18</sup>, R<sup>19</sup>, R<sup>20</sup> and R<sup>21</sup> each is R<sup>d</sup>;

5 R<sup>A</sup> is R<sup>b</sup> when W is  $\begin{array}{c} \text{R}^{23} \\ | \\ \text{--CH--NH--C--} \\ | \quad | \\ \text{R}^{22} \quad \text{R}^{24} \end{array}$  or  $\begin{array}{c} \text{--CH--(CH)}_{0-2} \\ | \quad | \\ \text{R}^{25} \quad \text{R}^{26} \end{array}$ , wherein

R<sup>22</sup>, R<sup>23</sup>, R<sup>24</sup>, R<sup>25</sup> and R<sup>26</sup> each is R<sup>d</sup>;

R<sup>a</sup> is selected from the group consisting of

- 0 (i) hydrogen, lower alkyl and lower alkenyl, and  
 (ii) lower alkyl and lower alkenyl substituted by at least  
 one substituent selected from the group consisting of  
 lower alkyl, lower alkenyl, hydroxy, lower alkoxy, halogeno-  
 lower alkoxy, acyloxy, halogen, nitro, cyano, amino, lower  
 alkylamino, dialkylamino, acylamino, mercapto, acylmercapto,  
 lower alkylthio, carboxy, lower alkoxycarbonyl, aralkyloxy-  
 carbonyl, aryloxycarbonyl, sulfamoyl, lower alkylamino-  
 5 sulfonyl and lower alkylsulfinyl;

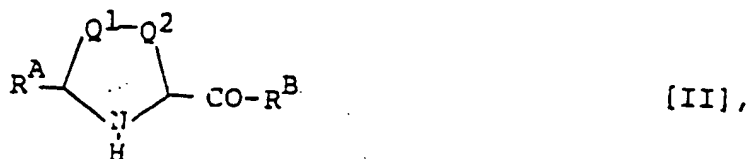
R<sup>b</sup> is selected from the group consisting of

- 0 (a) (i) aralkyl, heteroaralkyl, aralkenyl and heteroaralkenyl, and  
 (ii) aralkyl, heteroaralkyl, aralkenyl and heteroaralkenyl  
 substituted by at least one substituent selected from the  
 group consisting of lower alkyl, lower alkenyl, halogeno-  
 lower alkyl, hydroxy, lower alkoxy, halogeno-lower alkoxy,  
 acyloxy, halogen, nitro, cyano, amino, lower alkylamino,  
 dialkylamino, acylamino, mercapto acylmercapto, lower  
 alkylthio, carboxy, lower alkoxycarbonyl, aralkyloxy-  
 carbonyl, aryloxycarbonyl, sulfamoyl, lower alkylamino-  
 sulfonyl and lower alkylsulfinyl, and  
 5 (iii) carboxy, lower alkoxycarbonyl, aralkyloxycarbonyl,

1. The compounds [I] of this invention can be prepared by following process.

(i) A compound of the formula [I] is yielded by the reaction of a compound of the formula [II]

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wherein  $\text{R}^{\text{A}}$  and  $\text{R}^{\text{B}}$  may be protected by any suitable groups (e.g., lower alkyl, acyl, aralkyl, aralkyloxy, etc.) when  $\text{R}^{\text{A}}$  and  $\text{R}^{\text{B}}$  include reactive groups (e.g., amino, hydroxy, mercapto, hydroxyamino, etc.), with the reactive derivative of carboxylic acid of the formula [III] (e.g., acyl halide, acid anhydride, mixed anhydride, active ester, lactone, etc.) by general methods used in peptide syntheses or amide formation reactions

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wherein  $\text{W}$  and  $\text{R}^{\text{C}}$  may be protected by any suitable groups (e.g., lower alkyl, acyl, aralkyl, aralkyloxy, etc.) when  $\text{W}$  and  $\text{R}^{\text{C}}$  include reactive groups (e.g., amino, hydroxy, mercapto, hydroxyamino, etc.), followed by removal of protective groups by well-known methods (e.g., hydrolysis, hydrogenolysis, ammonolysis, alcoholysis, etc.).

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This procedures of deprotection can be applied in the following methods.

1            $R^d$  is selected from the group consisting of  
(a)(i) hydrogen, lower alkyl, lower alkenyl, aralkyl, hetero-  
aralkyl, alkanoyl, arylalkanoyl, heteroarylalkanoyl, hydroxy,  
carboxy, amino, mercapto and sulfo, and  
(ii) lower alkyl, lower alkenyl, aralkyl, heteroaralkyl,  
5 alkanoyl, arylalkanoyl, heteroarylalkanoyl, hydroxy, carboxy,  
amino, mercapto and sulfo substituted by at least one substituent  
selected from the group consisting of lower alkyl, lower alkenyl,  
lower alkoxy, lower alkanoyl, aryl, heteroaryl, acyloxy, aroyl,  
hydroxy, carboxy, amino, guanidino, mercapto, acylamino,  
acylmercapto, lower alkoxycarbonyl, sulfo, halogen, nitro,  
cyano, sulfamoyl, lower alkylaminosulfonyl, lower alkylthio  
10 and lower alkylsulfinyl;

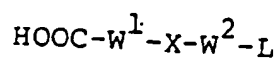
(b)(i) phenyl and naphthyl, and  
(ii) phenyl and naphthyl substituted by at least one substituent  
selected from the group consisting of lower alkyl, lower alkoxy,  
lower alkanoyl, acyloxy, hydroxy, carboxy, amino, halogen,  
nitro, cyano, acylamino, mercapto, acylmercapto, halogeno-  
15 lower alkyl, halogeno-lower alkoxy, lower alkylenedioxy, lower  
alkoxycarbonyl, sulfo, sulfamoyl, lower alkylaminosulfonyl  
and lower alkylsulfinyl;

(c)(i) furyl, thienyl and pyridyl, and  
(ii) furyl, thienyl and pyridyl substituted by at least one  
substituent selected from the group consisting of lower alkyl,  
lower alkoxy, lower alkanoyl, acyloxy, hydroxy, carboxy, amino,  
20 halogen, nitro, cyano, acylamino, mercapto, acylmercapto,  
halogeno-lower alkyl, halogeno-lower alkoxy, lower alkylene-  
dioxy, lower alkoxycarbonyl, sulfo, sulfamoyl, lower alkyl-  
aminosulfonyl and lower alkylsulfinyl;

and salts thereof which are useful as agents for therapy or  
25 prophylaxis of the diabetic complication because they inhibit  
strongly aldose reductase, and as antihypertensive agents  
because they inhibit angiotensin I-converting enzyme.

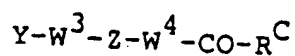
1° protected such as (i) above, in the presence of proper alkaline and/or organic bases, if necessary, by known methods.

(iii) A compound of the formula [I] is yielded by the reaction of a compound of the formula [II] with the reactive derivative of carboxylic acid of the formula [VII] (e.g., mentioned in (i) above)



[VII]

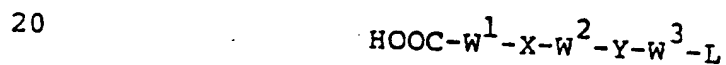
10 and then with a compound of the formula (VIII)



[VIII]

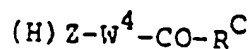
by the same method as (ii) above.

15 (iv) A compound of the formula [I] is yielded by the reaction of a compound of the formula [II] with the reactive derivative of carboxylic acid of the formula [IX] (e.g., mentioned in (i) above)



[IX],

and then with a compound of the formula [X]



[X]

25 by the same method as (ii) above.

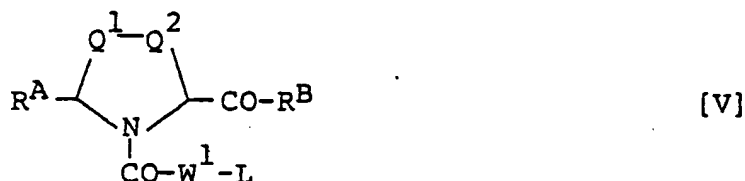


(ii) A compound of the formula [I] is yielded by the reaction of a compound of the formula [II] with the reactive derivative of carboxylic acid of [IV] (e.g., above-mentioned)

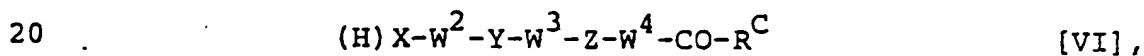


wherein W<sup>1</sup> is  $\begin{bmatrix} R^1 \\ | \\ -C- \\ | \\ R^2 \end{bmatrix}_l \begin{bmatrix} R^3 \\ | \\ -C- \\ | \\ R^4 \end{bmatrix}_m$ , and may be protected such as (i)

above, L is a leaving group (e.g., halogen, alkylsulfonyl, arylsulfonyl, etc.), by the same methods as described in (i) above to produce a compound of the formula [V]



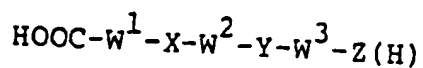
and then reaction of a compound of the formula [V] with a compound of the formula [VI]



wherein W<sup>2</sup> is  $\begin{bmatrix} R^5 \\ | \\ -C- \\ | \\ R^6 \end{bmatrix}_n \begin{bmatrix} R^7 \\ | \\ -C- \\ | \\ R^8 \end{bmatrix}_p$ , W<sup>3</sup> is  $\begin{bmatrix} R^9 \\ | \\ -C- \\ | \\ R^{10} \end{bmatrix}_q \begin{bmatrix} R^{11} \\ | \\ -C- \\ | \\ R^{12} \end{bmatrix}_r$ , W<sup>4</sup> is

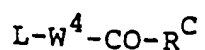
$\begin{bmatrix} R^{13} \\ | \\ -C- \\ | \\ R^{14} \end{bmatrix}_s \begin{bmatrix} R^{15} \\ | \\ -C- \\ | \\ R^{16} \end{bmatrix}_t$ , and W<sup>2</sup>, W<sup>3</sup>, W<sup>4</sup>, X, Y, Z and R<sup>C</sup> may be

1 reactive derivative of carboxylic acid of the formula [XV].  
(e.g., mentioned in (v) above)



[XV],

5 and then with a compound of the formula [XVI]



[XVI]

10 by the same method as (ii) above.

(viii) A compound of the formula [I] is also yielded  
by converting a compound of the formula [I] prepared by  
any method above-mentioned by well-known methods (e.g.,  
oxidation, formation of oxime, hydrazone and semicarbazone,  
15 addition to double bond, etc.)

The compounds [I] of this invention are effective on  
preventing or relieving diabetic complications.

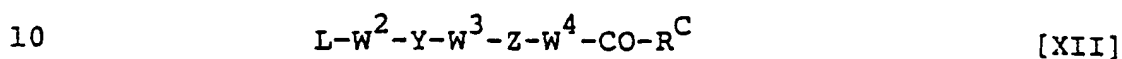
In diabetic patients, high levels of hexoses (e.g.,  
20 glucose, galactose, etc.) in blood lead to the accumulation  
of sugar alcohols (e.g., sorbitol, galactitol, etc.) in  
tissues. It is known that this accumulation causes the  
swelling of cells to induce complications of diabetic  
cataract, diabetic retinopathy, diabetic nephropathy, diabetic  
25 neuropathy, etc. [R. Quan-Ma et al., Biochem. Biophys. Res.  
Comm., 22, 492 (1966)]. For example, R. Gitzelman et al.

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1 (v) A compound of the formula [I] is yielded by the reaction  
 of a compound of the formula [II] with the reactive derivative  
 of carboxylic acid [XI] (e.g., acyl halide, acid anhydride,  
 mixed anhydride, active ester, lactone, thiolactone, etc.)



and then with a compound of the formula [XII]



by the same method as (ii) above.

(vi) A compound of the formula [I] is yielded by the  
 reaction of a compound of the formula [II] with the reactive  
 15 derivative of carboxylic acid of the formula [XIII] (e.g.,  
 mentioned in (v) above)



20 and then with a compound of the formula [XIV]



by the same method as (ii) above.

25 (vii) A compound of the formula [I] is yielded by the  
 reaction of a compound of the formula [II] with the

1 salts to be generally used as medicine such as sodium salt,  
potassium salt, calcium salt, magnesium salt, aluminum salt,  
ammonium salt, diethylamine salt, triethanolamine, etc.

5 The compounds of formula [I] have the stereoisomers  
which are within the limit of this invention, because they  
have one or more asymmetric carbon atoms.

Typical examples are shown below, although this invention  
is not limited to these examples.

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1 have presented that cataract is caused by the accumulation  
of sugar alcohols [Exptl. Eye. Res., 6, 1 (1967)]. A report  
of Kinoshita et al. has demonstrated that aldose reductase  
which reduced aldose to the corresponding sugar alcohols  
5 was involved in the initiation of these diabetic  
complications and that effective inhibitors of aldose  
reductase were useful [Jpn. J. Ophthalmol., 20, 339 (1976)].  
On the basis of the above information, aldose reductase  
inhibition of the compounds [I] of this invention was tested.  
10 The results of the examinations demonstrated that these  
compounds have potent inhibitory activities on aldose  
reductase, and therefore they are useful as drugs for therapy  
or prophylaxis of the diabetic complications.

On the other hand, it has been known that a kind of the  
15 derivatives of thiazolidine- or pyrrolidinecarboxylic acid  
have potent inhibitory activity to angiotensin I-converting  
enzyme, but thiazolidine and pyrrolidine compounds of this  
invention are novel compounds, and have more potent inhibitory  
activities to angiotensin I-converting enzyme. Furthermore,  
20 the compounds of this invention are prepared by convenient  
methods, and are superior to the stability.

Thus, the compounds of this invention are useful as  
therapeutic or prophylactic agents and antihypertensive  
agents.

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The compound of formula [I] can form the conventional

- 1 pyrrolidine ring. The same shall be applied hereinafter.
- \*2 Two spots were observed on the TLC (ethyl acetate-chloroform-acetic acid (10:5:3)), and two products could be separated by silica gel column chromatography.
- 5 From NMR spectra, the upper and lower spots were identified as the titled compound and (4R,4R')-3,3'-(octanedioyl)bis[2-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-4-thiazolidine-carboxylic acid] (compound 40), respectively.
- \*3 Silica gel, ethyl acetate-chloroform-acetic acid
- 10 (10:5:3).

The compounds shown in Table I and III were prepared by the same procedure as described above.

- The following compounds are also prepared by the same
- 15 procedure as EXAMPLE 1.

- (4R)-3-carboxyacetyl-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid
- (4R)-3-(3-carboxypropanoyl)-2-phenyl-4-thiazolidine-carboxylic acid
- (4R)-3-[3-(2-carboxyethylsulfinyl)propanoyl]-2-(2-
- 20 hydroxyphenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid
- (4R)-3-[[[2-(carboxymethyloxy)ethyl]oxy]acetyl]-2-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid
- (4R)-3-(4-carboxybutanoyl)-2-(3-hydroxyphenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid
- 25 (4R)-3-(5-carboxypentanoyl)-2-(4-methylphenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid

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## EXAMPLE 1

(4R)-3-(7-Carboxyheptanoyl)-2-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid (compound 20)

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(4R)-2-(2-Hydroxyphenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid (6.8g,) in N sodium hydroxide (30ml) and octanedioyl dichloride (6.3g,) were added dropwise to 1M potassium carbonate (60ml) with stirring under ice-cooling. After the addition, the reaction mixture was stirred for 1 hour at the same temperature and for additional 1 hour at room temperature. The solution was acidified with dilute hydrochloric acid, and extracted with ethyl acetate. The organic layer was washed with saturated sodium chloride solution, dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate, and evaporated in vacuo. The residual oil<sup>\*2</sup> was purified by silica gel column chromatography to give 7.0g (61%) of the titled compound: mp 155-157°C (dec.) (ethyl acetate);  $[\alpha]_D^{27} +134.1^\circ$  (c=0.5, methanol). IR (nujol,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3220 (OH), 1710 (COOH), 1620 (CON), 1600 (aromatic), 1415, 1235, 1172, 950, 760. NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ ,  $\delta$ ): 0.53-1.73 (8H, m,  $-\text{CH}_2(\text{CH}_2)_4\text{CH}_2-$ ), 1.77-2.57 (4H, m,  $-\text{CH}_2(\text{CH}_2)_4\text{CH}_2-$ ), 3.03 (1H, AB<sub>q</sub> (A part), d, J=11.5, 8.5Hz,  $\text{C}_5^{*1}-\text{H}_A$ ), 3.37 (1H, AB<sub>q</sub> (B part), d, J=11.5, 6.5Hz,  $\text{C}_5-\text{H}_B$ ), 4.60 (1H, dd, J=8.5, 6.5Hz,  $\text{C}_4-\text{H}$ ), 6.28 (1H, s,  $\text{C}_2-\text{H}$ ), 6.45-8.07 (4H, m, arom. H), 9.77 (1H, s,  $-\text{COOH}$ ). TLC: Rf value<sup>\*3</sup> 0.52.

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\*1 The numbers represent the positions on thiazolidine or

- 1 thiazolidinecarboxylic acid  
(4R)-3-(6-carboxyhexanoyl)-2-(2-furyl)-4-thiazolidine-  
carboxylic acid  
(4R)-3-(7-carboxyheptanoyl)-2-(2-thienyl)-4-thiazolidine-  
5 carboxylic acid  
(4R)-3-(8-carboxyoctanoyl)-2-(3-pyridyl)-4-thiazolidine-  
carboxylic acid  
(4R)-3-(9-carboxynonanoyl)-2-(1-naphthyl)-4-thiazolidine-  
carboxylic acid  
10 (4R)-3-(5-carboxypentanoyl)-2-(2-hydroxy-4-sulfamoyl-  
phenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid  
(4R)-3-(6-carboxyhexanoyl)-2-(3-cyanophenyl)-4-  
thiazolidinecarboxylic acid  
(4R)-3-(7-carboxyheptanoyl)-2-(3-difluoromethoxyphenyl)-  
15 4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid  
(4R)-3-(8-carboxyoctanoyl)-2-(4-carboxyphenyl)-4-  
thiazolidinecarboxylic acid  
(4R)-3-(9-carboxynonanoyl)-2-(3-methylsulfinylphenyl)-4-  
thiazolidinecarboxylic acid  
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## EXAMPLE 2

(4R,4'R)-3,3'-(Octanedioyl)bis[2-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-4-  
thiazolidinecarboxylic acid (compound 40)]

- 25 To a stirred solution of (4R)-2-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-  
4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid (6.8g) in 1M  
potassium carbonate (45ml), octanedioyl dichloride (3.2g)



- 1 (4R)-3-(6-carboxyhexanoyl)-2-(4-chlorophenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid
- (4R)-3-(7-carboxyheptanoyl)-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid
- 5 (4R)-3-(13-carboxytridecanoyl)-2-(2-nitrophenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid
- (4R)-3-(7-carboxyheptanoyl)-2-(3-nitrophenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid
- (4R)-3-[3-(2-carboxyethylthio)propanoyl]-2-(5-nitrophenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid
- 10 (4R)-3-[[[2-(carboxymethyloxy)ethyl]oxy]acetyl]-2-(3-nitrophenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid
- (4R)-3-(6-carboxyhexanoyl)-2-(4-nitrophenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid
- 15 (4R)-3-(9-carboxynonanoyl)-2-(4-nitrophenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid
- (4R)-3-(11-carboxyundecanoyl)-2-(4-nitrophenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid
- (4R)-3-[4-(3-carboxypropyloxy)butanoyl]-2-(4-nitrophenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid
- 20 (4R)-3-[3-(2-carboxyethylsulfonyl)propanoyl]-2-(4-nitrophenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid
- (4R)-3-(9-carboxynonanoyl)-2-(5-chloro-2-hydroxyphenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid
- 25 (4R)-3-(11-carboxyundecanoyl)-2-(3,4,5-trimethoxyphenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid
- (4R)-3-(13-carboxytridecanoyl)-2-(2-acetoxyphenyl)-4-

1 organic layer was washed with saturated sodium chloride  
 solution, dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate, and  
 evaporated in vacuo. The residual oil was purified by  
 silica gel column chromatography to give 7.6g (86%) of  
 5 the titled compound: mp 93-97°C (dec.);  $[\alpha]_D^{27} +123.6^\circ$   
 (c=0.5, methanol). IR (nujol,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 1720 (COOH), 1620  
 (CON), 1600 (aromatic), 1230, 1090, 855, 765. MNR ( $\text{CD}_3\text{OD}$ )  
 $\delta$ : 0.7-1.7 (8H, m,  $-\text{CH}_2(\text{CH}_2)_4\text{CH}_2-$ ), 1.8-2.4 (4H, m,  
 $-\text{CH}_2(\text{CH}_2)_4\text{CH}_2$ ), 3.25 (4H, d,  $J=7.5\text{Hz}$ ,  $\text{C}_5\text{-H}$ ), 4.81 (2H,  
 10 t,  $J=7.5\text{Hz}$ ,  $\text{C}_4\text{-H}$ ), 6.35 (2H, s,  $\text{C}_2\text{-H}$ ), 6.7-8.0 (8H, m,  
 arom. H). TLC: Rf value\* 0.34.

\* Silica gel, ethyl acetate-chloroform-acetic acid  
 (10:5:3).

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The compounds shown in Table II and III were prepared by  
 the same procedure as described above.

### EXAMPLE 3

20 (4R,4'R)-3,3'-(heptanedioyl)bis[2-(3-cyanophenyl)-4-  
 thiazolidinecarboxylic acid] (compound 36)

To a stirred solution of (4R)-2-(3-cyanophenyl)-4-  
 thiazolidinecarboxylic acid (4.7g) in 1M sodium  
 25 carbonate (30ml), heptanedioyl dichloride (2.1g)  
 was added dropwise under ice-cooling. The reaction mixture  
 was stirred for 30 minutes at the same temperature, and

1 was added dropwise under ice-cooling. After the  
addition, the reaction mixture was stirred for 1 hour at  
the same temperature and for additional 1 hour at room  
temperature. The solution was acidified with dilute  
5 hydrochloric acid, extracted with ethyl acetate. The

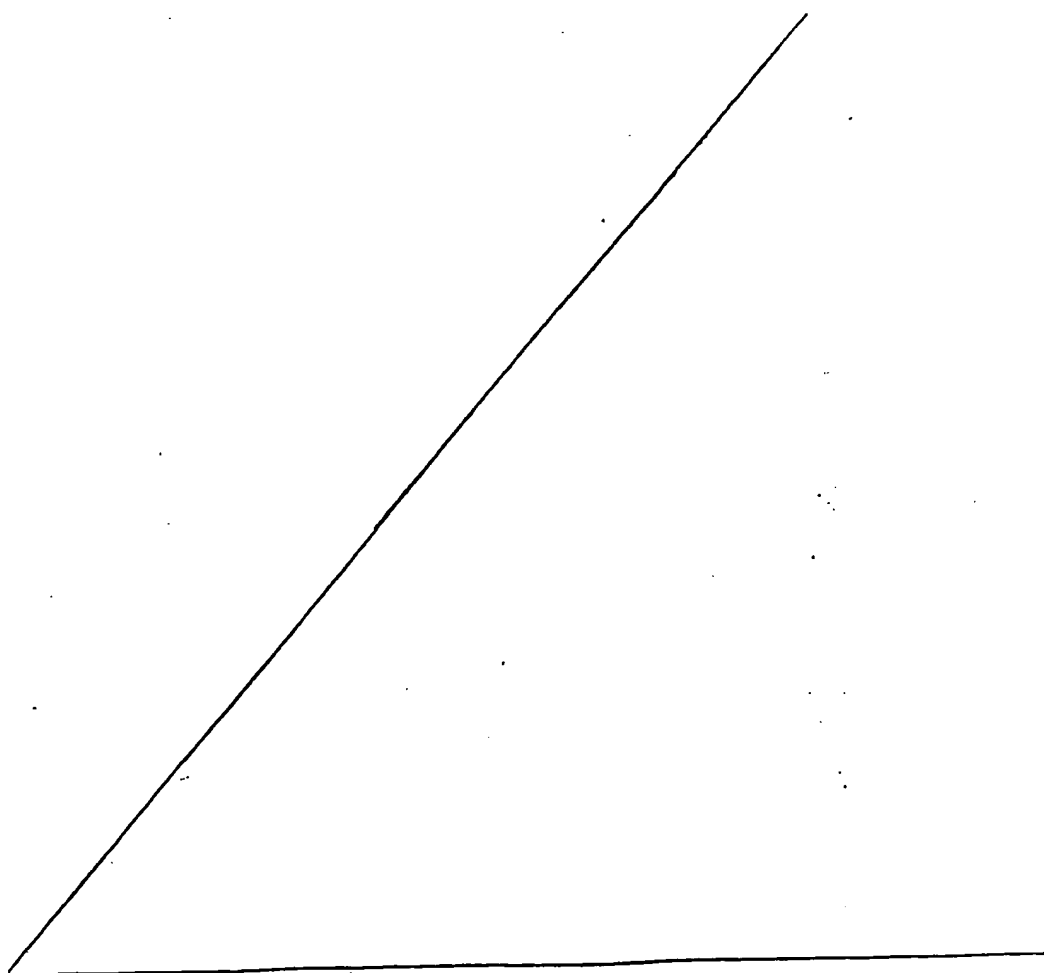
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- 1 (4R,4'R)-3,3'-(pentanedioyl)bis[2-(3-hydroxyphenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid]
- (4R,4'R)-3,3'-(hexanedioyl)bis[2-(4-methylphenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid]
- 5 (4R,4'R)-3,3'-(heptanedioyl)bis[2-(4-chlorophenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid]
- (4R,4'R)-3,3'-(octanedioyl)bis[2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid]
- (4R,4'R)-3,3'-(tetradecanedioyl)bis[2-(2-nitrophenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid]
- 10 (4R,4'R)-3,3'-(3,3'-thiodipropanoyl)bis[2-(3-nitrophenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid]
- (4R,4'R)-3,3'-[(ethylenedioxy)diacetyl]bis[2-(3-nitrophenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid]
- 15 (4R,4'R)-3,3'-(heptanedioyl)bis[2-(4-nitrophenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid]
- (4R,4'R)-3,3'-(decanedioyl)bis[2-(4-nitrophenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid]
- (4R,4'R)-3,3'-(dodecanedioyl)bis[2-(4-nitrophenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid]
- 20 (4R,4'R)-3,3'-(4,4'-oxydibutanoyl)bis[2-(4-nitrophenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid]
- (4R,4'R)-3,3'-(3,3'-sulfonyldipropanoyl)bis[2-(4-nitrophenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid]
- 25 (4R,4'R)-3,3'-(decanedioyl)bis[2-(5-chloro-2-hydroxyphenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid]
- (4R,4'R)-3,3'-(dodecanedioyl)bis[2-(3,4,5-trimethoxyphenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid]

1 filtered to give the precipitates. The precipitates were  
 dissolved in hot water (100ml), and acidified with  
 concentrated hydrochloric acid. The separated crystals  
 were collected by filtration to give 3.5g (59%) of the  
 5 titled compound: mp 105-112°C;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} +115.0^\circ$  (c=1.0,  
 methanol). IR (nujol,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 2270 (CN), 1735 (COOH),  
 1640 (CON), 1616 (aromatic), 1195, 790 (aromatic). NMR  
 (DMSO- $d_6$ ),  $\delta$ : 0.69-1.66 (6H, m,  $-\text{CH}_2(\text{CH}_2)_3\text{CH}_2-$ ),  
 1.70-2.50 (4H, m,  $-\text{CH}_2(\text{CH}_2)_3\text{CH}_2-$ ), 2.85-3.66 (4H, m,  
 10  $\text{C}_5\text{-H}$ ), 4.69 (1H, dd,  $J=8.2, 6.0\text{Hz}$ ,  $\text{C}_4\text{-H}$ ), 5.13 (1H, m,  
 $\text{C}_4\text{-H}$ ), 6.16 (1H, s,  $\text{C}_2\text{-H}$ ), 6.43 (1H, s,  $\text{C}_2\text{-H}$ ), 7.3-8.3<sup>\*</sup>  
 (8H, m, arom. H). TLC: Rf value\* 0.33.

\* Silica gel, ethyl acetate-chloroform-acetic acid  
 15 (10:5:3).

The compounds shown in Table II were prepared by the  
 same procedure as described above.

The following compounds are also prepared by the same  
 20 procedure as EXAMPLE 2 or 3.

(4R,4'R)-3,3'-(propanedioyl)bis(4-thiazolidinecarboxylic  
 acid)

(4R,4'R)-3,3'-(butanedioyl)bis(2-phenyl)-4-thiazolidine-  
 carboxylic acid)

25 (4R,4'R)-3,3'-(3,3'-sulfinyldipropanoyl)bis[2-(2-hydroxy-  
 phenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid]

(4R,4'R)-3,3'-[(ethylenedioxy)diacetyl]bis[2-(2-hydroxy-  
 phenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid]

(4R,4'R)-3,3'-[(ethylenedithio)diacetyl]bis[2-(2-hydroxy-

1 reaction mixture was stirred for 1 hour at the same  
temperature, and the separated crystals were filtered to  
give 4.7g (69%) of the titled compound as disodium salt:  
mp 111-113°C (dec.) (water);  $[\alpha]_D^{25} +88.2^\circ$  (c=0.5, methanol)  
5 IR (nujol,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 1635 (CON), 1585 ( $\text{COO}^-$ ), 1520 and 1355  
( $\text{NO}_2$ ), 1095, 730. TLC: Rf value\* 0.28.

\* Silica gel, ethyl acetate-chloroform-acetic acid  
(10:5:3).

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## EXAMPLE 5

(4R)-3-(3-Carboxypropanoyl)-2-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-4-  
thiazolidinecarboxylic acid (compound 6)

15 To a stirred solution of (4R)-2-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-  
4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid (4.5g) and  
triethylamine (4.0g) in acetone (100ml),  
succinic anhydride (2.0g) was added at room  
temperature, and stirred for 3 hours at the same  
20 temperature. The reaction mixture was concentrated  
in vacuo, and acidified with dilute hydrochloric acid.  
The separated oil was extracted with ethyl acetate, and  
the organic layer was washed with saturated sodium chloride  
solution, dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate, and  
25 evaporated in vacuo to give 4.9g (75%) of the titled  
compound: mp 190-191°C (dec.) (ethyl acetate-methanol);  
 $[\alpha]_D^{27} +181.6^\circ$  (c=1.0, methanol). IR (nujol,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3210

- 1 (4R,4'R)-3,3'-(tetradecanedioyl)bis[2-(2-acetoxyphenyl)-  
4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid]  
(4R,4'R)-3,3'-(heptanedioyl)bis[2-(2-furyl)-4-thiazolidine-  
carboxylic acid]
- 5 (4R,4'R)-3,3'-(octanedioyl)bis[2-(2-thienyl)-4-thiazolidine-  
carboxylic acid]  
(4R,4'R)-3,3'-(nonanedioyl)bis[2-(3-pyridyl)-4-thiazolidine-  
carboxylic acid]  
(4R,4'R)-3,3'-(decanedioyl)bis[2-(1-naphthyl)-4-thiazolidine-  
10 carboxylic acid]  
(4R,4'R)-3,3'-(hexanedioyl)bis[2-(2-hydroxy-5-sulfamoyl-  
phenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid]  
(4R,4'R)-3,3'-(octanedioyl)bis[2-(3-difluoromethoxyphenyl)-  
4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid]
- 15 (4R,4'R)-3,3'-(nonanedioyl)bis[2-(4-carboxyphenyl)-4-  
thiazolidinecarboxylic acid]  
(4R,4'R)-3,3'-(decanedioyl)bis[2-(3-methylsulfinyl-  
phenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid].

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## EXAMPLE 4

(4R,4'R)-3,3'-(Heptanedioyl)bis[2-(3-nitrophenyl)-4-  
thiazolidinecarboxylic acid] (compound 35)

To a stirred solution of (4R)-2-(3-nitrophenyl)-  
25 4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid (5.1g) in 1M  
sodium carbonate (40ml), heptanedioyl dichloride (2.1g)  
was added dropwise under ice-cooling. The

1 After the addition, the reaction mixture was stirred for  
1.5 hours at the same temperature. After the filtration  
of solution, the filtrate was acidified with dilute  
hydrochloric acid, and extracted with ethyl acetate. The  
5 organic layer was washed with saturated sodium chloride  
solution, dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate, and  
evaporated in vacuo. The residual oil was purified  
by silica gel column chromatography to give 7.8g (44%)  
of the titled compound:  $[\alpha]_D^{25} +161.6^\circ$  (c=1.0, methanol).  
10 IR (KBr,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3380 (OH), 1723 (COOH, COOCH<sub>3</sub>), 1624  
(CON), 1235, 1200, 1174, 764.

The compounds shown in Table I and II were prepared by  
the same procedure as described above.

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#### EXAMPLE 7

(4R)-3-(3-Carboxy-2-methylpropanoyl)-2-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-  
4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid (compound 5)

20 (4R)-3-[3-(Methoxycarbonyl)-2-methylpropanoyl]-2-  
(2-hydroxyphenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid (compound  
4) (7.1g) was dissolved in 2N sodium hydroxide (40ml)  
and stirred for 1 hour at room temperature. The  
resulting solution was acidified with dilute hydrochloric  
25 acid and the separated crystals were filtered to give  
5.1g (75%) of the titled compound: mp 163-164°C (dec.)



- 1 (OH), 1720 (COOH), 1618 (CON), 1602 (aromatic), 1245, 1173, 940, 763. NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ ,  $\delta$ ): 2.0-2.7 (4H, m,  $-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2-$ ), 3.03 (1H, AB<sub>q</sub> (A part), d, J=11.0, 10.0Hz, C<sub>5</sub>-H<sub>A</sub>), 3.36 (1H, AB<sub>q</sub> (B part), d, J=11.0, 7.0Hz, C<sub>5</sub>-H<sub>B</sub>), 4.61 and 5.07 (1H, dd, J=10.0, 7.0Hz and m, C<sub>4</sub>-H), 6.36 (1H, s, C<sub>2</sub>-H), 6.5-8.0 (4H, arom. H). TLC: Rf value\* 0.35.

\* Silica gel, ethyl acetate-chloroform-acetic acid (10:5:3).

- 10 The compounds shown in Table I and III were prepared by the same procedure as described above. The following compounds are also prepared by the same procedure as EXAMPLE 5.

(4R)-3-(4-carboxy-4-oxobutanoyl)-2-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid

- 15 (4R)-3-(6-carboxy-3,5-dioxohexanoyl)-2-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid

(4R)-3-[4-carboxy-3-(methoxyimino)butanoyl]-2-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid.

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#### EXAMPLE 6

(4R)-3-[3-(Methoxycarbonyl)-2-methylpropanoyl]-2-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid (compound 4)

- 25 To a stirred solution of (4R)-2-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid (11.3g) in 1M sodium carbonate (80ml), dl-3-methoxycarbonyl-2-methylpropanoyl chloride (3.2g) was added dropwise under ice-cooling.

1 in 20ml of anhydrous tetrahydrofuran, isobutyl chloro-  
 formate (0.39ml) was added dropwise at  $-15^{\circ}\text{C}$ , and stirred  
 for additional 2 hours at this temperature. To this  
 solution, the methanol solution of hydroxylamine (0.3g)  
 5 was added dropwise at  $-50^{\circ}\text{C}$ . The reaction mixture was  
 stirred for 1 hour at room temperature, acidified with  
 N hydrochloric acid, and extracted  
 with ethyl acetate. The organic layer was washed with  
 saturated sodium chloride solution, dried over anhydrous  
 10 magnesium sulfate, and concentrated in vacuo. The  
 residual oil was purified by silica gel column chromatog-  
 raphy to give 0.7g (63%) of the titled compound. IR  
 (KBr,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3220, 1727, 1625, 1595, 1200, 1092, 753.  
 NMR (acetone- $\text{d}_6$ ,  $\delta$ ): 1.24 (3H, t,  $J=7.5\text{Hz}$ ,  $\text{CO}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$ ),  
 15 2.17-3.07 (4H, m,  $\text{CO}-(\text{CH}_2)_2\text{CO}$ ), 3.30 (1H,  $\text{AB}_q$  (A part), d,  
 $J=10.0$ , 2.0Hz,  $\text{C}_5\text{-H}_A$ ), 3.47 (1H,  $\text{AB}_q$  (B part), d,  $J=10.0$ ,  
 7.0Hz,  $\text{C}_5\text{-H}_B$ ), 4.14 (2H, q,  $J=7.5\text{Hz}$ ,  $\text{CO}_2\text{CH}_2$ ), 5.18 (1H,  
 dd,  $J=2.0$ , 7.0Hz,  $\text{C}_4\text{-H}$ ), 6.40 (1H, s,  $\text{C}_2\text{-H}$ ), 6.88-7.27  
 (4H, m, arom. H), 8.60 (2H, br. s,  $\text{NHOH}$ ), 9.77 (1H, br. s,  
 20  $\text{OH}$ )

The compounds shown in Table I were prepared by the same  
 procedure as described above.

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## EXAMPLE 9

(4R,4'R)-3,3'-(Nonanedioyl)bis[2-(3-nitrophenyl)-4-  
 thiazolidinecarboxylic acid methyl ester] (compound 46)

- 1 (ethyl acetate);  $[\alpha]_D^{25} +174.1^\circ$  (c=1.0, methanol). IR (nujol,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3330 (OH), 1730 and 1710 (COOH), 1629 (CON), 1280, 1234, 856, 771.

5 The compounds shown in Table I and II were prepared by the same procedure as described above. The following compounds are also prepared by the same procedure as EXAMPLE 6 and 7.

- 10 (4R)-3-[4-(carboxymethyl)benzoyl]-2-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid  
(4R)-3-[(4-carboxyphenyl)acetyl]-2-phenyl-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid  
(4R)-3-(4-carboxy-3-butenoyl)-2-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid  
15 (4R)-3-(4-carboxy-2-butenoyl)-2-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid  
(4R)-3-(4-carboxy-3-butynoyl)-2-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid

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## EXAMPLE 8

(4R)-3-[3-(N-Hydroxycarbamoyl)propanoyl]-2-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid ethyl ester  
(compound 10a)

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To a stirred solution of (4R)-3-(3-carboxypropanoyl)-2-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid ethyl ester (compound 8a) (1.06g) and N-methylmorpholine (0.33ml)

	75a	75b
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2	yield 0.4g (37%)	0.5g (47%)
	$[\alpha]_D^{25}$ -52.2° (c=1.2, MeOH)	-60.4° (c=1.0, MeOH)
5	IR 1720, 1620, 1422, (neat, cm <sup>-1</sup> ) 1217, 756	1722, 1620, 1420, 1215, 755
10	NMR 2.67-3.63 (6H, m, (CDCl <sub>3</sub> , δ) -S-CH <sub>2</sub> -CO <sub>2</sub> H, C <sub>5</sub> -H, -CH <sub>2</sub> -Ph), 3.83-4.83 (3H, m, -CO-CH-S-, C <sub>2</sub> -H), 4.98 (1H, dd, J=4.5, 6.5Hz, C <sub>4</sub> -H), 7.22 (5H, s, -C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> ) 9.55 (-CO <sub>2</sub> H)	2.70-3.50 (6H, m, -S-CH <sub>2</sub> -CO <sub>2</sub> H, C <sub>5</sub> -H, -CH <sub>2</sub> -Ph), 4.00-4.57 (3H, m, -CO-CH-S-, C <sub>2</sub> -H) 5.02 (1H, dd, J=4.5, 9.5Hz, C <sub>4</sub> -H), 7.23 (5H, s, -C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> ), 10.00 (-CO <sub>2</sub> H)

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The compounds shown in Table IV were prepared by the same procedure as described above.

## EXAMPLE 11

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(4R)-3-[(Carboxymethylamino)acetyl]-2-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid (compound 81)

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(4R)-3-Chloroacetyl-2-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid (6g) was added to a stirred solution of glycine (1.5g) in N sodium hydroxide (80ml), and stirred overnight at room temperature. The solution was adjusted to pH 1.5 by 20% hydrochloric acid and washed with ethyl acetate. The aqueous layer was adjusted to pH 3.2, and

1 To a stirred solution of (4R,4'R)-3,3'-(nonanedioyl)bis-  
[2-(3-nitrophenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid]  
(compound 47) (3.3g) in ethyl acetate (50ml), 2% ether  
solution of diazomethane was added dropwise until the  
5 yellow color of diazomethane was not disappeared, and  
stirred continuously for 30 minutes. The reaction mixture  
was concentrated in vacuo to give 3.3g (96%) of the titled  
compound: mp 61-63°C (benzene);  $[\alpha]_D^{23} +79.4^\circ$  (c=1.0,  
methanol). IR (KBr,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 1740, 1660, 1530, 1350,  
10 1198, 725.

## EXAMPLE 10

(4R)-3-[(2-Carboxymethylthio-3-phenyl)propanoyl]-4-  
thiazolidinecarboxylic acid (compound 75a and 75b)

15 (4R)-3-[(2-Mercapto-3-phenyl)propanoyl]-4-thiazolidine-  
carboxylic acid (1.0g), potassium carbonate (0.7g),  
chloroacetic acid (0.2g) and potassium iodide (0.05g)  
were dissolved in water (5ml), and stirred for 6 hours  
20 at room temperature. The reaction mixture was acidified  
with 5N hydrochloric acid and extracted with ethyl acetate.  
The organic layer was washed with saturated sodium chloride  
solution, dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate and  
concentrated in vacuo. The titled compounds (75a and 75b)  
25 were separated from the oily residue by silica gel  
column chromatography.

- 1 compound:  $[\alpha]_D^{24} -67.9^\circ$  ( $c=1.2$ , MeOH). IR (neat,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ):  
 3460, 1742, 1642, 1428, 1180. NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $\delta$ ): 1.23 (6H, t,  
 $J=7\text{Hz}$ ,  $-\text{CO}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$ ), 1.25 (3H, d,  $J=7.2\text{Hz}$ ,  $\text{CO}-\text{CH}-\text{N}$  ), 1.67-  
 $\text{CH}_3$   
 5 2.40 (4H, m,  $\text{C}_3-\text{H}$  and  $\text{C}_4-\text{H}$ ), 3.57 (4H, s,  $-\text{N}-\text{CH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{Et}$ ),  
 3.50-4.00 (2H, m,  $\text{C}_5-\text{H}$ ), 4.13 (4H, q,  $J=7\text{Hz}$ ,  $-\text{COCH}_2\text{CH}_3$ ),  
 4.10-4.67 (2H, m,  $\text{C}_2-\text{H}$  and  $-\text{CO}-\text{CH}-\text{N}$ ), 5.03, 5.20 (2H, AB<sub>q</sub>,  
 $\text{CH}_3$   
 10  $J=12\text{Hz}$ ,  $-\text{CH}_2-\text{Ph}$ ), 7.30 (5H, s,  $-\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$ ).

The compounds shown in Table V were prepared by the same procedure as described above.

### EXAMPLE 13

- 15 (2S)-1-[[[(2S)-Bis(ethoxycarbonylmethyl)amino]propanoyl]-  
 2-pyrrolidinecarboxylic acid (compound 86)

- (2S)-1-[[[(2S)-2-bis(ethoxycarbonylmethyl)amino]propanoyl]-  
 20 2-pyrrolidinecarboxylic acid benzyl ester (compound 88)  
 (0.50g) was dissolved in ethanol (10ml), and hydrogenated  
 with 10% palladium on charcoal catalyst (50mg). The  
 titled compound was obtained as a colorless oil. Yield  
 0.40g (quant. yield);  $[\alpha]_D^{24} -52.2^\circ$  ( $c=1.1$ , MeOH). IR  
 25 (neat,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 1742, 1640, 1442, 1190, 1130, 752. NMR  
 ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $\delta$ ): 1.23 (6H, t,  $J=7\text{Hz}$ ,  $-\text{CO}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$ ), 1.25 (3H, d,  
 $J=7.2\text{Hz}$ ,  $\text{COCH}-\text{N}$  ), 1.67-2.50 (4H, m,  $\text{C}_3-\text{H}$  and  $\text{C}_4-\text{H}$ ),  
 $\text{CH}_3$

1 the separated crystals were collected by filtration to  
3.28g (48.2%) of the titled compound: mp 181-182°C (dec.)  
(water);  $[\alpha]_D^{24} +271.2^\circ$  (c=0.5, MeOH). IR (KBr,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ):  
3400, 3200, 1740, 1672, 1560, 1440, 1380, 1335, 1212,  
5 752, 648, NMR ( $\text{K}_2\text{CO}_3$  in  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\delta$ ): 3.0-4.3 (6H, m,  $\text{C}_5\text{-H}$ ,  
 $\text{COCH}_2\text{NHCH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{H}$ ), 6.33 and 6.43 (1H, each s,  $\text{C}_2\text{-H}$ ), 6.6-  
7.3 (3H, m, arom. H), 7.82 (1H, br. d,  $J=8\text{Hz}$ , arom. H),  
9.0-10.3 (2H, br. s,  $-\text{OH}$ ,  $-\text{CO}_2\text{H}$ ).

10 The compounds shown in Table V were prepared by the  
same procedure as described above.

#### EXAMPLE 12

(2S)-1-[[[(2S)-2-Bis(ethoxycarbonylmethyl)amino]propanoyl]-  
15 2-pyrrolidinecarboxylic acid benzyl ester (compound 88)

Ethyl bromoacetate (0.92g) was added dropwise under  
ice-cooling to a stirred solution of L-alanyl-L-proline  
benzyl ester p-toluenesulfonate (2.24g) and triethylamine  
20 (1.53ml) in dry methylenechloride. After the addition,  
the reaction mixture was stirred for 2 hours at room  
temperature, refluxed for another 5 hours, and washed with  
water and saturated sodium chloride solution. The organic  
layer was dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate and concentrate  
25 in vacuo. The residual oil was purified by silica gel column  
chromatography to give 1.02g (44.8%) of the titled

1 saturated sodium chloride solution. The organic layer  
was dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate, and evaporated  
in vacuo. The residual oil was purified by silica gel  
column chromatography to give 1.3g (89%) of the titled  
5 compound: mp 110-110.5°C (benzene-hexane);  $[\alpha]_D^{24} -114.0^\circ$   
(c=1.0, MeOH). IR (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3460, 1739, 1635, 1436,  
1200, 1166. NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ): 1.23 (3H, d, J=7Hz, -CO-CH-N  
CH<sub>3</sub>)  
1.28 (3H, t, J=7Hz, -CO<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.67-2.50 (4H, m, C<sub>3</sub>-H and  
C<sub>4</sub>-H), 3.60 (2H, s, -COCH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 3.33-3.90 (2H, m, C<sub>5</sub>-H),  
10 4.16 (2H, q, J=7Hz, -COCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 4.23 (2H, s, -N-CH<sub>2</sub>C(=O)Et),  
4.30-4.60 (1H, m, C<sub>2</sub>-H), 5.03, 5.23 (2H, AB<sub>q</sub>, J=12.5Hz,  
-CO<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 5.58 (1H, q, J=7Hz, -COCH-N ), 7.23 (5H, s,  
CH<sub>3</sub>  
15 -COCH<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 7.30 (5H, s, -CO<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>).

The compounds shown in Table V were prepared by the same procedure as described above.

20 . EXAMPLE 15

(2S)-1-[(2S)-2-[(1-Carboxy-3-phenylpropyl)thio]propanoyl]-  
2-pyrrolidinecarboxylic acid (compound 79)

(2S)-1-[(2S)-2-Mercaptopropanoyl]-2-pyrrolidine-  
25 carboxylic acid (2.0g), potassium carbonate (2.8g) and 2-  
bromo-4-phenylbutanoic acid (2.9g) were dissolved in water  
(40ml), and stirred overnight at room temperature. The



- 1 3.53 (4H, s,  $\text{N-CH}_2\text{-CO}_2\text{Et}$ ), 3.50-4.00 (2H, m,  $\text{C}_5\text{-H}$ ), 4.10  
 (4H, q,  $J=7\text{Hz}$ ,  $\text{-CO}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$ ), 4.10-4.33 (1H, m,  $\text{-COCH(N)-}$ ,  
 $\text{CH}_3$ )  
 4.47 (1H, dd,  $J=6.5, 5.0\text{Hz}$ ,  $\text{C}_2\text{-H}$ ), 9.20 (1H, br. s,  $\text{-CO}_2\text{H}$ ).

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The compounds shown in Table V were prepared by the same procedure as described above. The following compounds are also prepared by the same procedure as EXAMPLE 12 and 13.

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(2S)-1-[[4-(1-carboxy-3-phenylpropyl)amino]benzoyl]-2-pyrrolidinecarboxylic acid.

(4R)-3-[[4-(1-carboxy-3-phenylpropyl)amino]benzoyl]-2-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid

## EXAMPLE 14

- 15 (2S)-1-[[[(2S)-2-(N-Ethoxycarbonylmethyl-N-phenylacetyl)-amino]propanoyl]-2-pyrrolidinecarboxylic acid benzyl ester (compound 90)

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Phenylacetyl chloride (0.44ml) was added dropwise at room temperature to a stirred solution of (2S)-1-[[[(2S)-2-(ethoxycarbonylmethyl)amino]propanoyl]-2-pyrrolidinecarboxylic acid benzyl ester (1.1g) and triethylamine (0.47ml) in dry acetone (15ml). After the addition, the reaction mixture was stirred for 1 hour at the same temperature, and the precipitate was removed by filtration. The filtrate was evaporated in vacuo, and the residual oil was dissolved in ethyl acetate, and washed with water and

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1 The compounds shown in Table V were prepared by the same  
procedure as described above.

5 In EXAMPLES and TABLES I, II, III, IV and V, "a" and "b"  
of compound No. represent diastereoisomers each other.  
TABLES I, II, III, IV and V show various compounds and  
their physical constants including the compounds specified  
in EXAMPLES.

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1 reaction mixture was acidified with 6N hydrochloric acid,  
and extracted with ethyl acetate. The organic layer was  
washed with saturated sodium chloride solution, dried  
over anhydrous magnesium sulfate, and concentrated in vacuo.  
5 The residual oil was purified by silica gel column chromatography to give 2.3g (62%) of the titled compound:  $[\alpha]_D^{23}$  -82.2° (c=1.2, MeOH). IR (KBr,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 1740, 1720, 1610, 1455, 1438, 1185, 748, 700.

10 The compounds shown in Table IV were prepared by the same procedure as described above.

#### EXAMPLE 16

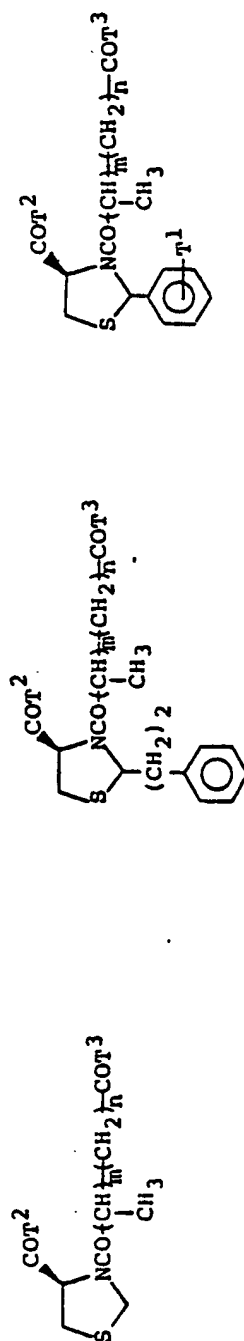
15 1-[[[(1-Carboxy-3-phenylpropyl)amino]acetyl]-2-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-5-pyrrolidinecarboxylic acid (compound 99)

1-(Chloroacetyl)-5-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-2-pyrrolidine-carboxylic acid [mp 204-206°C(dec.),  $[\alpha]_D^{24}$  +24.5° (c=1.2, MeOH)] (2.8g) was added to a stirred solution of 2-amino-4-phenylbutanoic acid (1.8g) in N sodium hydroxide (40ml).  
20 The reaction mixture was stirred overnight at room temperature. The solution was adjusted to pH 1.5 by 20% hydrochloric acid, and washed with ethyl acetate. The aqueous layer was adjusted to pH 3.0, and the separated  
25 solid was collected by filtration to give 1.0g (24%) of the titled compound. IR (nujol,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3425, 1735, 1625, 1588.

Table-continued

Compd. <sup>f</sup> No.	T <sup>1</sup>	T <sup>2</sup>	T <sup>3</sup>	m	n	Method of prep. (Examp. No.)	Yield (%)	mp (°C) (Recrystn. solvent)	[α] <sub>D</sub> deg. (c, solv., °C)	IR spectrum		Rf <sup>g</sup> 2 value (SiO <sub>2</sub> )
										Sampling <sup>h</sup> method	cm <sup>-1</sup>	
6	2-OH	OH	OH	0	2	1 5	75	190-191 (dec.) (EtOAc-MeOH)	+181.6 (1.0, MeOH, 27)	B	3210, 1720, 1618, 1602, 1245, 1173, 940, 763	0.35
7	2-OH	OH	OMe	0	2	6	83	165-166 (dec.) (EtOAc)	+164.5 (1.0, MeOH, 25)	A	3370, 1750, 1693, 1635, 1215, 1165, 755	0.47
8a	2-OH	OEt	OH	0	2	5	45	181-182 (EtOAc)	-2.8 (0.5, MeOH, 21)	A	3310, 1727, 1703, 1637, 1595, 1235, 1190, 745	0.55
8b	2-OH	OEt	OH	0	2	5	23	116-118 (EtOAc)	-311.6 (0.5, MeOH, 21)	A	3370, 1735, 1708, 1635, 1597, 1220, 1180, 760	0.55
9a	2-OH	OH	NIHOH	0	2	7		172-173 (dec.) (EtOH-H <sub>2</sub> O)		A	3375, 3290, 1720, 1657, 1625, 1590, 1240, 1088, 748	0.22
9b	2-OH	OH	NIHOH	0	2	7		amorph.		A	3220, 1717, 1655, 1625, 1595, 1225, 1092, 752	0.33
10a	2-OH	OEt	NIHOH	0	2	8		amorph.		A	3220, 1727, 1625, 1595, 1200, 1092, 753	0.25 <sup>4</sup>
10b	2-OH	OEt	NHOH	0	2	8		amorph.				0.32 <sup>4</sup>
11 <sup>5</sup>	2-OH	OH	OMe	1	2	6		amorph.	+55.5 (0.8, MeOH, 24)	B	1738, 1630, 1585, 1310, 1258, 750	
11a <sup>5</sup>	2-OH	OH	OMe	1	2	6		205-207 (dec.) (benzene)	+94.6 (0.5, MeOH, 23)	B	3110, 1730, 1625, 1610, 1192, 1121, 758	
12a	2-OH	OH	OH	1	2	7	79	168-170 (dec.) (acetone- cyclohexane)	+168.0 (0.4, MeOH, 23)	A	3370, 1718, 1625, 1598, 758	0.25 <sup>4</sup>
12b	2-OH	OH	OH	1	2	7		163-164 (dec.) (acetone- cyclohexane)	+149.2 (0.4, MeOH, 23)	A	3300, 1720, 1708, 1615, 1598, 1242, 753	0.25 <sup>4</sup>
13	2-OH	OH	OH	0	3	5	65	161-162 (dec.) (H <sub>2</sub> O)	+153.8 (0.5, MeOH, 24)	B	3190, 1713, 1632, 1598, 1253, 1098, 943, 760	0.38
14	2-OH	OH	OEt	0	3	6	88	157-158 (dec.) (EtOAc-benzene)	+145.6 (1.0, MeOH, 25)	A	3340, 1725, 1638, 1597, 1218, 1120, 768 <sup>4</sup>	0.48
15	H	OH	OH	0	3	5	73	139-140 (EtOAc-MeOH)	+106.3 (1.0, MeOH, 24)	B	3170, 1753, 1709, 1631, 1423, 1177, 729	0.39

Table I



Compound No. 1				Compound No. 2a and 2b				Compound 3-32				
Compd. No.	T <sup>1</sup>	T <sup>2</sup>	T <sup>3</sup>	m	n	Method of prepn. (Examp. No.)	Yield (%)	mp (°C) (Recrystn. solvent)	[α] <sub>D</sub> deg. (c, solv., °C)	IR spectrum		Kf *2 value (SiO <sub>2</sub> )
										Sampling <sup>1</sup> method	cm <sup>-1</sup>	
1		OH	OH	0	6	1	55	oil	-84.3 (0.8, MeOH, 26)	C	1720, 1605, 1420, 1190, 1015, 880	0.39
2a		OH	OH	0	3	5	26	oil	-19.8 (1.1, MeOH, 24)	C	1733, 1710, 1650, 1600, 1410, 1240, 1040	0.60 <sup>3</sup>
2b		OH	OH	0	3	5	51	oil	-113.8 (1.1, MeOH, 24)	C	1730, 1650, 1610, 1410, 1240, 1042	0.55 <sup>3</sup>
3	2-OH	OH	OH	0	1	1	65	154.0-154.5 (dec.) (H <sub>2</sub> O)	+201.4 (0.7, MeOH, 25)	B	3340, 1725, 1625, 1600, 1460, 1430, 1235, 1100, 915, 770	0.25
4	2-OH	OH	OMe	1	1	6	44	oil	+161.6 (1.0, MeOH, 25)	A <sup>1</sup>	3380, 1723, 1624, 1235, 1200, 1174, 764	0.51
5	2-OH	OH	OH	1	1	7	75	163-164 (dec.) (EtOAc)	+174.1 (1.0, MeOH, 25)	B	3330, 1730, 1710, 1629, 1280, 1234, 856, 771	0.41

Table-continued

Compd. <sup>†</sup> No.	T <sup>1</sup>	T <sup>2</sup>	T <sup>3</sup>	m	n	Method of prepn. (Examp. No.)	Yield (%)	mp (°C) (Recrystn. solvent)	[α] <sub>D</sub> deg. (c, solv., °C)	Sampling <sup>*1</sup> method	IR spectrum cm <sup>-1</sup>	Rf <sup>*2</sup> value (SiO <sub>2</sub> )
28	2-OH	OH	OH	0	8	1	58	oil	+100.3 (1.0, MeOH, 24)	C	1710, 1620, 1600, 1410, 1230, 1090, 850, 760	0.58
29	2-OH	OH	OH	0	10	1	55	123-124 (EtOAc-cyclo- hexane)	+120.4 (0.5, MeOH, 25)	B	3320, 1705, 1620, 1595, 1410, 1233, 1090, 943, 850, 760	0.61
30	3-CN	OH	OH	0	10	1	56	oil	+56.4 (0.3, MeOH, 23)			0.56 <sup>*4</sup>
31	2-OH	OH	OH	0	12	1	59	amorph.	+101.4 (1.0, MeOH, 24)	B	3280, 1700, 1620, 1575, 760, 722	0.52
32	3-CN	OH	OH	0	12	1	43	oil	+61.7 (0.6, MeOH, 23)			0.53 <sup>*4</sup>

<sup>†</sup> a and b represent diastereoisomers of the compound.

<sup>\*1</sup> A: KBr disk, B: nujol mull, C: neat.

<sup>\*2</sup> EtOAc-CHCl<sub>3</sub>-AcOH (10:5:3).

<sup>\*3</sup> CHCl<sub>3</sub>-EtOH-AcOH (10:2:1).

<sup>\*4</sup> EtOAc-CHCl<sub>3</sub>-AcOH (7:5:1).

<sup>\*5</sup> Dicyclohexylamine salt.

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Compd. No.	T <sup>1</sup>	T <sup>2</sup>	T <sup>3</sup>	m	n	Method of prepn. (Examp. No.)	Yield (%)	mp (°C) (Recrystn. solvent)	[α] <sub>D</sub> deg. (c, solv., °C)	IR spectrum		R <sub>f</sub> *2 value (SiO <sub>2</sub> )
										Sampling method	cm <sup>-1</sup>	
16	4-CN	OH	OH	0	3	5	59	190-191 (EtOAc-MeOH)	+137.7 (1.0, MeOH, 24)	B	2225, 1710, 1665, 1412, 1258	0.31
17	2-OH	OH	OH	0	4	1	62	amorph.	+115.6 (1.0, MeOH, 24)	B	3300, 1700, 1622, 1595, 760, 723	0.43
18	2-OH	OH	OH	0	5	1	60	158-159 (dec.) (EtOAc)	+128.6 (0.5, MeOH, 25)	B	3300, 1710, 1620, 1595, 1280, 1095, 895, 850, 760	0.47
19	H	OH	OH	0	6	1	33	oil	+80.5 (1.0, MeOH, 24)			0.50
20	2-OH	OH	OH	0	6	1	61	155-157 (dec.) (EtOAc)	+134.1 (0.5, MeOH, 27)	B	3220, 1710, 1620, 1600, 1415, 1235, 1172, 950, 760	0.52
21	2-OH	OH	OH	0	7	1	63	153-154 (dec.) (EtOAc)	+70.9 (0.5, MeOH, 26)	B	3220, 1705, 1620, 1600, 1415, 1235, 1173, 1090, 830, 760	0.55
22	3-NO <sub>2</sub>	OH	OH	0	7	1	45	oil	+72.1 (0.4, MeOH, 27)	C	1710, 1615, 1525, 1405, 1350, 1095, 735	0.56
23	3-NO <sub>2</sub>	OH	OH	0	7	6	79	oil	+72.8 (1.0, MeOH, 23)	C	1735, 1663, 1620, 1533, 1352, 1240, 1190, 728	0.57
24	2-F	OH	OH	0	7	1	53	oil	+69.9 (0.5, MeOH, 23)	C	1730, 1660, 1625, 1587, 1228, 1043, 756	0.57
25	3-F	OH	OH	0	7	1	50	oil	+63.4 (0.5, MeOH, 23)	C	1730, 1655, 1610, 1590, 1243, 1042, 775	0.57
26	4-F	OH	OH	0	7	1		oil	+57.9 (0.8, MeOH, 23)			0.51 <sup>4</sup>
27	2-Cl 5-NO <sub>2</sub>	OH	OH	0	7	1	45	amorph.	+108.3 (0.5, MeOH, 23)	A	1720, 1660, 1580, 1526, 1240, 1050, 745	0.57

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Compd. No.	T <sup>1</sup>	Method of prepn.		Yield (%)	mp (°C) (Recrystn. solvent)	(α) <sub>D</sub> deg. (c, solv., °C)	IR spectrum		R <sub>f</sub> *2 value (SiO <sub>2</sub> )
		n	(Examp. No.)				Sampling *1 method	cm <sup>-1</sup>	
40	2-OH	6	2	86	amorph.	+123.6 (0.5, MeOH, 27)	B	1720, 1620, 1600, 1230, 1090, 855, 765	0.34
41	3-NO <sub>2</sub>	6	2	56	amorph.	+97.5 (0.5, MeOH, 21)	B	1730, 1650, 1605, 1520, 1345, 1095, 730	0.34
42	3-CN	6	2	58	amorph.	+98.3 (0.9, MeOH, 25)	B	2250, 1730, 1640, 1615, 1200, 790	0.38
43	4-CN	6	2	41	amorph.	+130.2 (0.9, MeOH, 25)	B	2248, 1729, 1650, 1618, 790	0.36
44	2-OH	7	2	75	amorph.	+142.7 (0.5, MeOH, 26)	B	1720, 1620, 1600, 1410, 1230, 1173, 1090, 855, 763	0.40
45	2-NO <sub>2</sub>	7	2	47	amorph.	+191.2 (0.6, MeOH, 25)	B	1735, 1655, 1515, 1345, 1190, 730	0.38
46	3-NO <sub>2</sub>	7	9	96	61-63 (benzene)	+79.4 (1.0, MeOH, 23)	A	1740, 1660, 1530, 1350, 1198, 725	0.57
47	3-NO <sub>2</sub>	7	2	82	amorph.	+96.2 (0.5, MeOH, 27)	B	1725, 1615, 1520, 1445, 1350, 1095, 730	0.41
48	4-NO <sub>2</sub>	7	2	53	amorph.	+118.5 (0.5, MeOH, 25)	B	1730, 1650, 1600, 1510, 1345, 1185, 1110, 735	0.48
49	3-CN	7	3	65	amorph.	+112.1 (1.1, MeOH, 25)	B	2250, 1729, 1640, 1610, 790	0.41
50	2-F	7	4	85	140-220 (dec.) (H <sub>2</sub> O)	+117.5 (1.0, MeOH, 24)	A	1580, 1225, 1173, 758	0.50
51	3-F	7	4	88	195-210 (dec.) (H <sub>2</sub> O)	+101.9 (0.5, MeOH, 25)	A	1590, 1238, 1142, 767	0.50
52	4-F	7	2	76	oil	+75.8 (1.0, MeOH, 23)			0.39 <sup>3</sup>



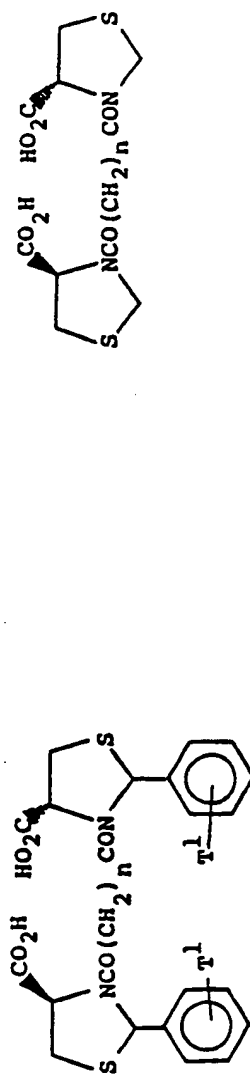
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Compd. No.	T <sup>1</sup>	Method of prepn. (Examp. No.)	Yield (%)	mp (°C) (Recrystn. solvent)	[α] <sub>D</sub> deg. (c, solv., °C)	IR spectrum		Rf <sup>2</sup> value (SiO <sub>2</sub> )
						Sampling <sup>4</sup> 1 method	cm <sup>-1</sup>	
53	2-Cl 5-NO <sub>2</sub>	7 2	79	amorph.	+167.9 (0.5, MeOH, 23)	A	1725, 1640, 1575, 1520, 1342, 1047, 740	0.51
54	2-OH 5-SO <sub>2</sub> NH <sub>2</sub>	7 2	75	amorph.	+140.9 (0.6, MeOH, 23)	B	1725, 1620, 1595, 1310, 1150, 930	0.42 <sup>4</sup>
55	2-OH	8 2	68	amorph.	+122.1 (1.0, MeOH, 24)	B	3300, 1730, 1628, 1575, 767, 725	0.45
56	3-CN	8 2	47	amorph.	+104.6 (1.0, MeOH, 25)	B	2245, 1726, 1630, 1610, 790	0.37 •
57	3-NO <sub>2</sub>	8 2	84	amorph.	+102.2 (0.5, MeOH, 25)	A	1735, 1620, 1523, 1190, 728	0.47
58 <sup>5</sup>	3-NO <sub>2</sub>	8 4	74	amorph.	+93.9 (0.5, MeOH, 23)	A	1597, 1520, 1269, 1096, 723	
59	2-OH	10 2	61	99-100.5 (dec.) (EtOAc-benzene)	+124.7 (0.5, MeOH, 27)	B	3300, 1740, 1620, 1600, 1565, 1230, 1160, 1090, 895, 770	0.49
60 <sup>5</sup>	3-CN	10 4	63	190-195 (H <sub>2</sub> O)	+109.3 (0.5, H <sub>2</sub> O, 23)	B	3400, 2240, 1640, 1600, 1208, 778, 720	
61	2-OH	12 2	66	amorph.	+69.5 (1.0, MeOH, 24)	B	3300, 1728, 1630, 1590, 762, 725	0.45
62 <sup>5</sup>	3-CN	12 4	52	amorph.	+104.2 (0.5, MeOH, 23)	B	3400, 2225, 1605, 1320, 1207, 775, 720	0.46 <sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup> A: KBr disk, B: nujol mull, C: neat.<sup>2</sup> EtOAc-CHCl<sub>3</sub>-AcOH (10:5:3).<sup>3</sup> EtOAc-CHCl<sub>3</sub>-AcOH (7:5:1).<sup>4</sup> CHCl<sub>3</sub>-MeOH-AcOH (3:1:1).<sup>5</sup> Disodium salt.<sup>6</sup> Dimethyl ester.



Table II

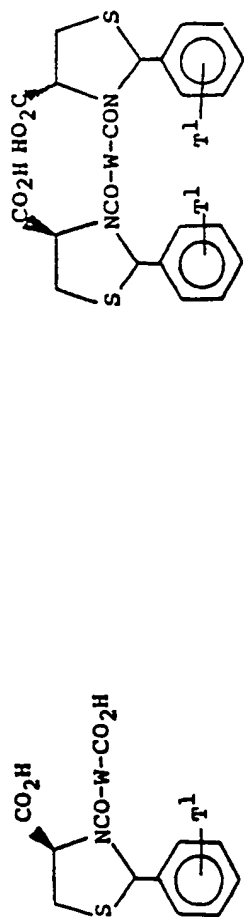


Compound No. 33-37, 39-62

Compound No. 38

Compd. No.	T <sup>1</sup>	n	Method of prepn. (Examp. No.)	Yield (%)	mp (°C) (Recrystn. solvent)	[α] <sub>D</sub> deg. (c, solv., °C)	IR spectrum		R <sub>f</sub> + 2 value (SiO <sub>2</sub> )
							Sampling*1 method	cm <sup>-1</sup>	
33	2-OH	4	2	73	124-128 (MeOH)	+182.2 (1.0, DMF, 24)	B	3280, 1726, 1620, 1596, 775,	0.23
34	2-OH	5	2	67	oil	+106.1 (0.5, MeOH, 26)	C	1725, 1625, 1600, 1410, 1235, 1095, 1045, 850, 765	0.27
35	3-NO <sub>2</sub> <sup>5</sup>	5	4	69	111-113 (dec.) (H <sub>2</sub> O)	+88.2 (0.5, MeOH, 25)	B	1635, 1585, 1520, 1355 1095, 730	0.28
36	3-CN	5	3	59	105-112 (H <sub>2</sub> O)	+115.0 (1.0, MeOH, 25)	B	2270, 1735, 1640, 1610, 1195, 790	0.33
37	4-CN	5	3	52	amorph.	+148.2 (0.9, MeOH, 25)	B	2255, 1731, 1655, 1620, 785	0.32
38		6	2	77	oil	-124.5 (0.5, MeOH, 26)	C	1720, 1580, 1410, 1180, 1015, 880	0.09
39	H	6	2	79	amorph.	+97.4 (1.0, MeOH, 24)	B	1720, 1625, 1585, 732	0.42

Table III



Compound No. 63-68

Compound No. 69-71

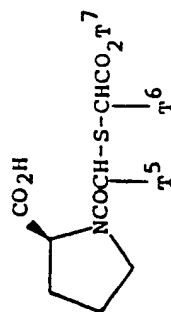
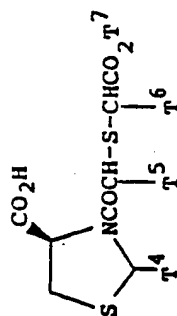
Compd. No.	T <sup>1</sup>	W	Method of prepn. (Examp. No.)	Yield (%)	mp (°C) (Recrystn. solvent)	[α] <sub>D</sub> deg. (c, solv., °C)	IR spectrum		Rf #2 value (SiO <sub>2</sub> )
							Sampling*1 method	cm-1	
63	2-OH	-CH <sub>2</sub> COCH(COCH <sub>3</sub> )-	5	31	amorph.	+149.2 (1.2, MeOH, 25)	B	1743, 1720, 1630, 1600, 1238	0.38 <sup>3</sup>
64	2-OH	-CH <sub>2</sub> -O-CH <sub>2</sub> -	1	35	amorph.	+138.6 (1.1, MeOH, 25)	A	3300, 1726, 1640, 1453, 1234, 1142	0.24 <sup>4</sup>
65	3-NO <sub>2</sub>	{CH <sub>2</sub> } <sub>2</sub> -C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> -CH <sub>2</sub> -	1	36	amorph.	+81.7 (0.9, MeOH, 24)	A	3400, 1702, 1618, 1525, 1400, 1347	0.55 <sup>3</sup>
66	2-OH	{CH <sub>2</sub> } <sub>2</sub> -O-(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> -	1	33	136-137 (EtOAc)	+147.6 (0.5, MeOH, 25)	B	3320, 1750, 1710, 1625, 1595, 1235, 1110, 855, 770	0.28
67	2-OH	{CH <sub>2</sub> } <sub>2</sub> -S-(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> -	1	40	159-160 (dec.) (EtOAc)	+136.4 (0.5, MeOH, 27)	B	3360, 1710, 1627, 1599, 1435, 1235, 1099, 852, 763	0.42
68	2-OH	{CH <sub>2</sub> } <sub>2</sub> -S-(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> -S-(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> -	1	35	amorph.	+78.1 (1.0, MeOH, 24)	B	3300, 1715, 1627, 1590, 760	0.31
69	3-NO <sub>2</sub>	{CH <sub>2</sub> } <sub>2</sub> -C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> -CH <sub>2</sub> -	2	44	amorph.	+106.9 (1.1, MeOH, 24)	A	3425, 1730, 1640, 1525, 1400, 1350	0.38 <sup>3</sup>

Table-continued

Compd. No.	T <sup>1</sup>	W	Method of prepn. (Examp. No.)	Yield (%)	mp (°C) (Recrystn. solvent)	[α] <sub>D</sub> deg. (c, solv., °C)	IR spectrum		Rf <sup>*2</sup> value (SiO <sub>2</sub> )
							-Sampling <sup>*1</sup> method	cm <sup>-1</sup>	
70	2-OH	$\{CH_2\}_2O-\{CH_2\}_2$	2	47	amorph.	+83.0 (0.5, MeOH, 26)	B	1720, 1625, 1600, 1230, 1090, 850, 760	0.15
71	2-OH	$\{CH_2\}_2S-\{CH_2\}_2$	2	53	amorph.	+129.3 (0.5, MeOH, 27)	B	1720, 1620, 1600, 1420, 1230, 1093, 852, 763	0.30

<sup>\*1</sup> A; KBr disk, B; nujol mull.  
<sup>\*2</sup> EtOAc-CHCl<sub>3</sub>-AcOH (10:5:3).  
<sup>\*3</sup> EtOAc-EtOH-AcOH (40:1:1).  
<sup>\*4</sup> CHCl<sub>3</sub>-EtOH-AcOH (10:2:1).

Table IV



Compound No. 72-76

Compound No. 77-80

Compd. No.	T <sup>4</sup>	T <sup>5</sup>	T <sup>6</sup>	T <sup>7</sup>	Method of prepn. (Examp. No.)	Yield (%)	mp (°C) (Recrystn. solvent)	[α] <sub>D</sub> deg. (c, solv., °C)	IR spectrum		Rf value (SiO <sub>2</sub> )
									Sampling <sup>a</sup> 1 method	cm <sup>-1</sup>	
72a	H	CH <sub>3</sub>	Ph	H	10	38	151-153 (EtOAc)	+8.6 (1.0, MeOH, 23)	A	3030, 1737, 1720, 1615, 1413, 1215, 1150, 717	0.26 <sup>3</sup>
72b	H	CH <sub>3</sub>	Ph	H	10	49	oil	-161.5 (1.0, MeOH, 23)	C	1735, 1623, 1413, 1243, 1170, 1043, 699	0.22 <sup>3</sup>
73		H	CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> Ph	H	10	81	amorph.	+122.1 (1.2, MeOH, 25)	A	1720-1710, 1625, 1600, 1400, 1235, 752, 698	0.74
74	H	CH <sub>3</sub>	CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> Ph	H	10	52	amorph.	-97.9 (1.1, MeOH, 25)	A	1720, 1620, 1415, 750, 700	0.65
75a	H	CH <sub>2</sub> Ph	H	H	10	37	oil	-52.2 (1.2, MeOH, 25)	C	1720, 1620, 1422, 1217, 756	0.13 <sup>4</sup>
75b	H	CH <sub>2</sub> Ph	H	H	10	46	oil	-60.4 (1.0, MeOH, 25)	C	1722, 1620, 1420, 1215, 755	0.13 <sup>4</sup>
76	H	CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> Ph	H	H	10	84	oil	-61.2 (1.3, MeOH, 24)	C	1735, 1630, 1615, 1420, 1242, 1172, 1043, 702	0.66

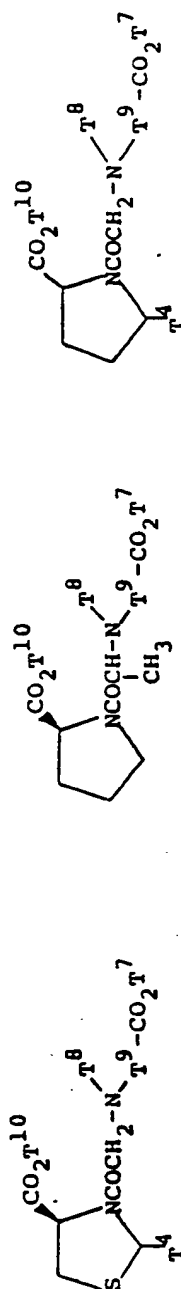
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Compd. No.	† 4 T	5 T	6 T	7 T	Method of prep. (Examp. No.)	Yield (%)	mp (C°) (Recrystn. solvent)	[α] <sub>D</sub> deg. (c, solv., °C)	IR spectrum		Rf value (SiO <sub>2</sub> )
									Sampling <sup>*1</sup> method	cm <sup>-1</sup>	
77		H	COPh	Et	15	36	oil	-46.2 (0.8, MeOH, 30)	C	1733, 1678, 1632, 1610, 1447, 1258, 1187, 1025, 1001, 751	0.32 <sup>*3</sup>
78		H	CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> Ph	H	15	46	oil	-48.4 (1.1, MeOH, 26)	C	1730, 1610, 1450, 1240, 1190, 750, 703	0.72 <sup>*5</sup>
79		CH <sub>3</sub>	CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> Ph	H	15	62	amorph.	-82.2 (1.2, MeOH, 23)	A	1740, 1720, 1610, 1455, 1438, 1185, 748, 700	0.38
80		H	COCH <sub>3</sub>	Et	15	45	oil	-49.6 (0.9, MeOH, 30)	C	1736, 1597, 1398, 1378, 1333, 1250, 1191, 1047, 860, 752	0.29 <sup>*3</sup>

† a and b represent diastereoisomers of the compound.

<sup>\*1</sup> A; KBr disk, C; neat.<sup>\*2</sup> EtOAc-CHCl<sub>3</sub>-AcOH (10:5:3).<sup>\*3</sup> Benzene-EtOAc-EtOH-AcOH (14:14:2:1).<sup>\*4</sup> Benzene-EtOAc-AcOH (25:25:1).<sup>\*5</sup> CHCl<sub>3</sub>-EtOH-AcOH (10:2:1)

Tabl V



Compound No. 81-85      Compound No. 86-98, 100-102      Compound No. 99

Compd.† No.	T <sup>4</sup>	T <sup>7</sup>	T <sup>8</sup>	T <sup>9</sup>	T <sup>10</sup>	Method of prep. (Examp. No.)	Yield (%)	mp (°C) (Recrystn. solvent)	[α] <sub>D</sub> deg. (c, solv., °C)	IR spectrum		Rf value (SiO <sub>2</sub> )
										Sampling method	cm <sup>-1</sup>	
81		H	H	-CH <sub>2</sub> -	H	11	48.2	181-182 (dec.) (H <sub>2</sub> O)	+271.2 (0.5, N NaOH, 24)	A	3400, 3200, 1740, 1672, 1560, 1440, 1380, 1335, 1210, 752	0.25 <sup>2</sup>
82		H	H	-CH <sub>2</sub> -	H	11	32.8	150-155 (H <sub>2</sub> O)	+94.7 (0.5, N NaOH, 23)	B	3420, 3210, 1650, 1240, 839, 790	0.45 <sup>3</sup>
83		H	H		H	11	44.8	150-153 (dec.) (EtOH-ether)	+86.5 (0.4, MeOH, 26)	A	3370-2900, 1655, 1602, 1175	0.74 <sup>4</sup>
84		H	H		H	11	50.3	172-173 (dec.) (EtOAc)	+78.9 (0.8, MeOH, 25)	A	3350, 1720, 1670, 1644, 1236, 744	0.69 <sup>4</sup>
85		H	H		H	11	27.2	174-175 (dec.) (H <sub>2</sub> O)		A	3400, 1720, 1660, 1610, 1492, 1452, 1240, 752, 700	0.21 <sup>5</sup>
86	H	Et	CH <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>2</sub> Et	-CH <sub>2</sub> -	H	13	quant.	oil	-52.2 (1.1, MeOH, 24)	C	1742, 1640, 1442, 1190, 1130, 752	0.21 <sup>5</sup>



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


Compd. No.	T <sup>4</sup> T <sup>7</sup> T <sup>8</sup>			T <sup>9</sup>	T <sup>10</sup>	Method of prepn. (Examp. No.)	Yield (%)	mp (°C) (Recrystn. solvent)	[α] <sub>D</sub> deg. (c, solv., °C)	IR spectrum		Rf value (SiO <sub>2</sub> )
										Sampling method	cm <sup>-1</sup>	
87	H	H	CH <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>2</sub> H	-CH <sub>2</sub> -	H	7	26	amorph.	-32.8 (1.0, MeOH, 24)	B	3400, 1720, 1640, 1460, 1380	0.10 <sup>42</sup>
88	H	Et	CH <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>2</sub> Et	-CH <sub>2</sub> -	CH <sub>2</sub> Ph	12	45.2	oil	-67.9 (1.2, MeOH, 24)	C	3460, 1742, 1642, 1428, 1180	0.70 <sup>45</sup>
89a	H	H	H		H	16	33	216-218 (dec.) (H <sub>2</sub> O)	-141.1 (0.3, MeOH, 23)	B	2600, 1743, 1550, 1250, 1230, 800	0.20 <sup>46</sup>
89b	H	H	H		H	16	45	218-226 (dec.) (H <sub>2</sub> O)	+1.5 (0.5, MeOH, 23)	B	3310, 1610, 1575, 1160, 742	0.20 <sup>46</sup>
90	H	Et	COCH <sub>2</sub> Ph	-CH <sub>2</sub> -	CH <sub>2</sub> Ph	14	89	110-110.5 (benzene-n-hexane)	-114.0 (1.0, MeOH, 24)	A	3460, 1739, 1635, 1436, 1200, 1166	0.45 <sup>47</sup>
91	H	Et	COCH <sub>2</sub> Ph	-CH <sub>2</sub> -	H	13	quant.	oil	-99.7 (1.1, MeOH, 23)	D	1743, 1640, 1445, 1187	0.35 <sup>45</sup>
92	H	H	COCH <sub>2</sub> Ph	-CH <sub>2</sub> -	H	7	83	205-206 (EtOAc-MeOH)	-123.5 (1.0, MeOH, 24)	A	3430, 1727, 1635, 1598, 1426, 1184	0.38 <sup>48</sup>
93	H	Et	CO(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> Ph	-CH <sub>2</sub> -	CH <sub>2</sub> Ph	14	93	oil	-93.2 (1.0, MeOH, 24)	C	1746, 1655, 1647, 1447, 1188	0.51 <sup>47</sup>
94	H	Et	CO(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> Ph	-CH <sub>2</sub> -	H	13	quant.	oil	-94.7 (1.2, MeOH, 23)	D	1746, 1642, 1449, 1190	0.38 <sup>45</sup>
95	H	H	CO(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> Ph	-CH <sub>2</sub> -	H	7	96	amorph.	-104.3 (1.0, MeOH, 24)	A	3440, 1735, 1610, 1450, 1185	0.45 <sup>48</sup>
96	H	Et	CH <sub>2</sub> Ph	-CH <sub>2</sub> -	CH <sub>2</sub> Ph	12	46	oil	-66.0 (1.2, MeOH, 25)	D	1740, 1639, 1450, 1425, 1185	0.57 <sup>47</sup>
97	H	H	CH <sub>2</sub> Ph	-CH <sub>2</sub> -	H	7	87	amorph.	-59.0 (1.1, MeOH, 25)	A	3420, 1720, 1638, 1448, 1385	0.17 <sup>42</sup>
98	H	H	COCH <sub>3</sub>	 -CHCO <sub>2</sub> H	CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> Ph	14	62	195-196 (dec.) (EtOAc)		*B	1758, 1720, 1615, 1600, 1380, 750, 700	

Table-continued

Compd. <sup>†</sup> No.	T <sup>4</sup>	T <sup>7</sup>	T <sup>8</sup>	T <sup>9</sup>	T <sup>10</sup>	Method of prepn. (Examp. No.)	Yield (%)	mp (°C) (Recrystn. solvent)	(α) <sub>D</sub> deg. (c, solv., °C)	IR spectrum Sampling <sup>11</sup> method cm <sup>-1</sup>	Rf value (SiO <sub>2</sub> )
99 <sup>11</sup>		H	CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> Ph   -CHCO <sub>2</sub> H	H	H	16	24	amorph.		B 3425, 1735, 1625, 1588	0.66 <sup>2</sup>
100	H	Et			CH <sub>2</sub> Ph	14	37	oil	-46.9 (0.5, MeOH, 23)	C 1740, 1642, 1453, 1425, 1170, 740	0.20 <sup>9</sup>
101	H	Et			H	13	90	oil	-35.9 (0.5, MeOH, 23)		0.25 <sup>2</sup>
102	H	H			H	7	90	228-230 (dec.) (MeOH)	-33.9 (0.4, MeOH, 23)	B 3450, 1720, 1610, 1305, 1228, 1200, 680	0.34 <sup>10</sup>

<sup>†</sup> a and b represent diastereoisomers of the compound.

<sup>1</sup> A; KBr disk, B; nujol mull, C; Neat, D; liquid cell (CHCl<sub>3</sub>).

<sup>2</sup> n-BuOH-AcOH-H<sub>2</sub>O (4:2:1).

<sup>3</sup> n-BuOH-AcOH-H<sub>2</sub>O (4:1:2).

<sup>4</sup> EtOAc-CHCl<sub>3</sub>-AcOH (10:5:3).

<sup>5</sup> EtOAc-EtOH-AcOH (40:1:1).

<sup>6</sup> EtOAc-CHCl<sub>3</sub>-AcOH (7:5:1).

<sup>7</sup> Benzene-EtOAc-AcOH (25:25:1).

<sup>8</sup> CHCl<sub>3</sub>-EtOH-AcOH (10:2:1).

<sup>9</sup> EtOAc

<sup>10</sup> n-Propanol-28% aq. NH<sub>3</sub> (7:3).

<sup>11</sup> Starting material: 1-(chloroacetyl)-5-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-2-pyrrolidinecarboxylic acid; mp 204-206°C (dec.), [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>24</sup> +24.5° (c=1.2, MeOH), IR (nujol, cm<sup>-1</sup>) 3370, 1698, 1645, 1610, 1595, 1238, 758.

1 PHARMACOLOGICAL TEST 1

It has been known that aldose reductase participates in diabetic cataract which is one of the diabetic complications and that appearance is retarded or depressed by inhibition of the aldose reductase [Acta Societatis Ophthalmologicae Japonicae, 80, 1362 (1976)]. The following method is used for the present test.

(Method)

10 Aldose reductase is purified from rat lenses according to the method of Hoyman et al. [J. Biol. Chem., 240, 877 (1965)]. Action of the compounds (I) of this invention is evaluated by measurement of optical density according to the J.H. Kinoshita's method [Invest. Ophthal., 13, 713 (1974)]. The reaction mixture for the measurement of the aldose reductase activity is 3.0ml [0.007M phosphate buffer solution (pH 6.2), 0.46M lithium sulfate,  $5 \times 10^{-5}$ M NADPH,  $4 \times 10^{-4}$ M DL glyceraldehyde, 10U aldose reductase,  $10^{-4}$  to  $10^{-10}$ M the compounds (I)] 15 as total volume, and the absorbance thereof is measured at 340nm.

(Result)

Table VI shows that the compounds (I) of this invention have a strong aldose reductase inhibition effect. 25

1 Table VI. Inhibitory Activity of the Thiazolidine  
Compounds against Aldose Reductase

5	Compd. No.	IC <sub>50</sub> (M) * <sup>1</sup>
	22	8.2 x 10 <sup>-10</sup>
	23	1.1 x 10 <sup>-8</sup>
	47	1.6 x 10 <sup>-10</sup>
	56	1.7 x 10 <sup>-9</sup>
10	57	5.4 x 10 <sup>-9</sup>
	Control * <sup>2</sup>	1.0 x 10 <sup>-7</sup>

\*<sup>1</sup> Molar concentration of a compound producing  
50% inhibition of aldose reductase.

15 \*<sup>2</sup> Quercitrin: referred to Acta Societatis  
Ophthalmologicae Japonicae, 80, 1369-1370 (1976).

#### PHARMACOLOGICAL TEST 2

As the method of measurement of angiotensin I-  
20 converting enzyme activity, bioassay for the contractile  
response of isolated smooth muscle or the pressor re-  
sponse of normal animals and biochemical assay for the  
enzyme isolated from lung or other organs of animals  
are known. The former is found more advantageous than  
25 the latter for the examination of the conversion of  
angiotensin I to angiotensin II in vivo.

1        In the present study, therefore, we adopted the  
bioassay for contractile response of isolated guinea  
pig ileum to angiotensin I.

5        (Method)

Isolated guinea pig ileum was suspended in the or-  
gan bath containing 20ml of Tyrode's solution of 30°C  
gassed with 95% O<sub>2</sub> + 5% CO<sub>2</sub>. The contraction induced  
by the addition of angiotensin I (0.1µg/ml) at intervals  
10 of 10 minutes was recorded on a recticorder (Nihon Kodan)  
for 90 seconds using FD pick up (ST-1T-H, Nihon Kodan)

The test compounds were added to the bath 5 minutes  
before the addition of angiotensin I.

The inhibitory activity of angiotensin I-convert-  
15 ing enzyme was calculated by the following formula.

$$\frac{A - B}{A} \times 100$$

A: contractile intensity of angiotensin I  
before addition of the compound

20 B: contractile intensity of angiotensin I  
after addition of the compound

From the fact that kininase II, which destroys  
bradykinin having contractive action on isolated guinea  
pig ileum, is thought to be identical with angiotensin  
I-converting enzyme augmentation of the contractile  
25 response to bradykinin by test compounds was examined

- 1 by using bradykinin (0.005 $\mu$ g/ml) in place of angiotensin  
I according to the above mentioned method.

(Result)

- 5 Concentration of a number of the compounds of this  
invention, which produced 50% inhibition of angiotensin  
I activity or augmentation of bradykinin activity in-  
ducing the contraction of guinea pig ileum, fell in the  
range of  $10^{-7}$  -  $10^{-9}$  M.

10 PHARMACOLOGICAL TEST 3

- The activity of angiotensin I-converting enzyme  
was measured by spectrophotometry according to the method  
of D.W. Cushman and H.S. Cheung [Biochem. Pharmacol.,  
20, 1637 (1971)]. That is, the absorbance of hippuric  
15 acid was measured, which is liberated by incubating  
hippuryl-L-histidyl-L-leucine (HHL) as substrate in the  
presence of angiotensin I-converting enzyme extracted  
from rabbit lung.

20 (Method)

The reaction mixture is as follows:

- 100mM phosphate buffer (pH 8.3)  
300mM sodium chloride  
5mM HHL  
25  $10^{-3}$  -  $10^{-9}$  M enzyme inhibitor  
5mU enzyme

1        0.25ml of the above mixture was incubated at 37°C  
for 30 minutes and the reaction was stopped by adding  
0.25ml of 1 N hydrochloric acid. To this solution,  
1.5ml of ethyl acetate was added in order to extract  
5        hippuric acid. 1.0ml of ethyl acetate layer was col-  
lected and evaporated to dryness, and the residue ob-  
tained was dissolved in 1.0ml of water. The absorbance  
of this solution was measured at 228nm.

The inhibitory activity of angiotensin I-converting  
10        enzyme was calculated by the following formula:

$$\text{Percent inhibition} = \frac{A - B}{A} \times 100$$

A: absorbance of reaction solution before  
addition of the compound

B: absorbance of reaction solution after  
15        addition of the compound

Concentration of compound producing 50% inhibition of  
angiotensin I-converting enzyme ( $IC_{50}$ )

The solution containing compounds at the concentra-  
20        tion of  $1 \times 10^{-3}M$  to  $1 \times 10^{-9}M$  was incubated and percent  
inhibition at each concentration was calculated accord-  
ing to the above formula, and then  $IC_{50}$ , concentration  
of the compound producing 50% inhibition of the enzyme  
activity, was determined.

25        (Result)

$IC_{50}$  of a number of the compounds of this invention,

1 fell in the range of  $10^{-7}$  -  $10^{-10}$  M.

#### TOXICITY TEST

The acute toxicity of compounds 47 and 56 is 1000 -  
5 1500mg/kg.

#### (Experimental animals)

The male ddy-std. strain mice (4 weeks of age, weighing 19-21g) were placed in a breeding room of constant temperature and humidity ( $23 \pm 1^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $55 \pm 5\%$ ) and fed  
10 freely pellet diet (CE-2, Clea Japan, Inc.) and water ad. libitum for a week. The mice showing the normal growth were selected for the experiment.

#### 15 (Method of administration)

Test compounds are dissolved in distilled water and administered (i.v.) in a dose of 0.5ml/20g body weight.

It is found in the above pharmacological and toxicity test that the compounds (I) of this invention  
20 are useful as drugs for therapy or prophylaxis of the diabetic complications and as antihypertensive agents.

In case the compounds are used for preventing or relieving diabetic complications, the dosage forms are tablet, capsule, granule, powder, suppository, injection,  
25 ophthalmic solution, ophthalmic ointment, etc. These preparations can also contain general excipients.



1           On the other hand, in case the compounds are used  
for reducing blood pressure, they can be given with the  
combination of diuretics such as probenecid, carinamide,  
hydroflumethiazide, furosemide, and bumetanide same as  
5 other antihypertensive agents. The compounds can be  
administered either orally or parenterally. The dosage  
forms are tablet, capsule, granule, powder, suppository,  
injection, etc. In the treatment of hypertension, these  
preparations can contain not only general excipients  
10 but also other antihypertensive agents such as reserpine,  
 $\alpha$ -methyldopa, guanethidine, clonidine, hydralazine, etc.,  
or  $\beta$ -adrenergic blocking agents such as propranolol,  
alprenolol, pindolol, bufetolol, bupranolol, bunitrolol,  
practolol, oxprenolol, indenolol, timolol, bunolol, etc.

15           The dose is adjusted depending on symptom, dosage  
form, etc. But, usual daily dosage is 1 to 5000mg, pref-  
erably 10 to 1000mg, in one or a few divided doses.

#### EXAMPLES OF FORMULATION

##### 20 (1) Oral drug

##### (a) tablet

	compound 13	50mg
	lactose	120mg
	crystalline cellulose	60mg
25	calcium carboxymethylcellulose	7mg
	magnesium stearate	3mg
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	Total	240mg

1	compound 22	100mg
	lactose	95mg
	crystalline cellulose	45mg
	calcium carboxymethylcellulose	7mg
5	magnesium stearate	3mg
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	Total	240mg
	compound 23	150mg
	lactose	60mg
10	crystalline cellulose	30mg
	calcium carboxymethylcellulose	7mg
	magnesium stearate	3mg
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	Total	250mg
15	compound 56	150mg
	lactose	60mg
	crystalline cellulose	30mg
	calcium carboxymethylcellulose	7mg
20	magnesium stearate	3mg
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	Total	250mg
	compound 74	150mg
	lactose	60mg
25	crystalline cellulose	30mg
	calcium carboxymethylcellulose	7mg

1	magnesium stearate	3mg,
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	Total	250mg
	compound 88	150mg
5	lactose	60mg
	crystalline cellulose	30mg
	calcium carboxymethylcellulose	7mg
	magnesium stearate	3mg
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	Total	250mg

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The tablets may be treated with common film-coating and further with sugar-coating.

	(b) granule	
15	compound 13	30mg
	polyvinylpyrrolidone	25mg
	lactose	385mg
	hydroxypropylcellulose	50mg
	talc	10mg
20	<hr/>	
	Total	500mg
	compound 22	30mg
	polyvinylpyrrolidone	25mg
25	lactose	385mg
	hydroxypropylcellulose	50mg

1	talc	10mg
	Total	500mg
5	compound 94	30mg
	polyvinylpyrrolidone	25mg
	lactose	385mg
	hydroxypropylcellulose	50mg
	talc	10mg
10	Total	500mg
	(c) powder	
	compound 13	250mg
	lactose	240mg
15	starch	480mg
	colloidal silica	30mg
	Total	1000mg
20	compound 65	300mg
	lactose	230mg
	starch	440mg
	colloidal silica	30mg
	Total	1000mg
25	compound 79	300mg
	lactose	230mg

1	starch	440mg
	colloidal silica	30mg
	Total	1000mg
5	compound 100	300mg
	lactose	230mg
	starch	440mg
	colloidal silica	30mg
	Total	1000mg
10	(d) capsule	
	compound 13	50mg
	lactose	102mg
	crystalline cellulose	36mg
15	colloidal silica	2mg
	Total	190mg
	compound 23	100mg
20	lactose	52mg
	crystalline cellulose	36mg
	colloidal silica	2mg
	Total	190mg
25	compound 74	200mg
	glycerin	179.98mg

1	butyl p-hydroxybenzoate	0.02mg
	Total	380mg
5	compound 81	30mg
	glycerin	349.98mg
	butyl p-hydroxybenzoate	0.02mg
	Total	380mg
10	compound 98	200mg
	glycerin	179.98mg
	butyl p-hydroxybenzoate	0.02mg
	Total	380mg

## 15 (2) Injection

(a) 1 to 30mg of compound 9B is contained in 1ml of the aqueous solution (pH 6.5-7.0).

20 (b) 1 to 30mg of compound 73 is contained in 1ml of the aqueous solution (pH 6.5-7.0).

## (3) Ophthalmic solution

The following composition is contained in 5ml of the aqueous solution (pH 6.0).

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Compound 23 50mg

1            propyl p-hydroxybenzoate            0.7mg  
             methyl p-hydroxybenzoate            1.3mg  
             sodium hydroxide                    proper quantity

5    (4) Ophthalmic ointment

The following composition is contained in 1g.

             compound 22                            20mg  
             white petrolatum                    889.8mg  
10           mineral oil                            100mg  
             butyl p-hydroxybenzoate            0.2mg

(5) Suppository

The following composition is contained in 1g.

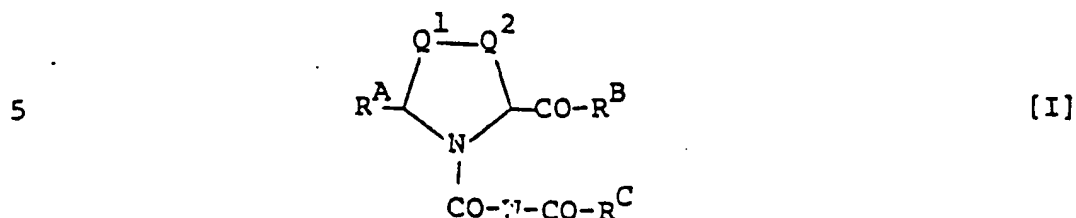
15           compound 47                            50mg  
             polyethylen~~e~~ glycol 1000            800mg  
             polyethylen~~e~~ glycol 4000            150mg

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## 1 CLAIMS

1. A compound of the formula [I]

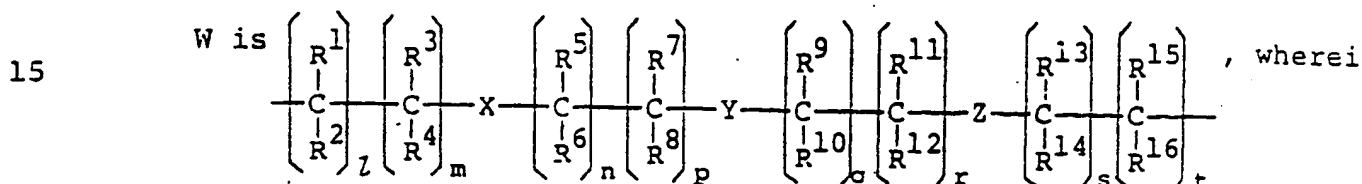


wherein

10  $\text{Q}^1$  and  $\text{Q}^2$  each is methylene or sulfur, but  $\text{Q}^1$  and  $\text{Q}^2$  are not sulfur at the same time;

$\text{R}^A$  is  $\text{R}^a$  or  $\text{R}^b$ ;

$\text{R}^B$  and  $\text{R}^C$  each is  $\text{R}^c$ ;



X, Y and Z each is single bond,  $-\text{CH}_2-$ ,  $-\text{C}=\text{C}-$ ,  $-\text{C}\equiv\text{C}-$ ,  $-\text{C}_6\text{H}_4-$ ,  
 $-\text{O}-$ ,  $-\text{CO}-$ ,  $-\text{S}-$ ,  $-\text{SO}-$ ,  $-\text{SO}_2-$ ,  $-\text{C}-$ ,  $-\text{NHCONH}-$ ,  $-\text{N}-$  or  $-\text{N}-$ ;  
 $\text{R}^{17}$   $\text{R}^{18}$   $\text{R}^{19}$   $\text{R}^{20}$   $\text{R}^{21}$

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$l, m, n, p, q, r, s$  and  $t$  each is 0, 1, 2 or 3;  
 $\text{R}^1, \text{R}^2, \text{R}^3, \text{R}^4, \text{R}^5, \text{R}^6, \text{R}^7, \text{R}^8, \text{R}^9, \text{R}^{10}, \text{R}^{11}, \text{R}^{12}, \text{R}^{13}, \text{R}^{14}, \text{R}^{15}, \text{R}^{16}, \text{R}^{17}, \text{R}^{18}, \text{R}^{19}, \text{R}^{20}$  and  $\text{R}^{21}$  each is  $\text{R}^d$ ;

$\text{R}^A$  is  $\text{R}^b$  when W is  $-\text{CH}-\text{NH}-\text{C}-$  or  $-\text{CH}-\text{CH}_2-$ , wherein  $\text{R}^{22}$ ,  
 $\text{R}^{23}$   $\text{R}^{24}$   $\text{R}^{25}$   $\text{R}^{26}$

$\text{R}^{23}, \text{R}^{24}, \text{R}^{25}$  and  $\text{R}^{26}$  each is  $\text{R}^d$ ;

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$\text{R}^a$  is selected from the group consisting of

- (i) hydrogen, lower alkyl and lower alkenyl, and
- (ii) lower alkyl and lower alkenyl substituted by at least one substituent selected from the group consisting of lower alkyl,



1 lower alkenyl, hydroxy, lower alkoxy, halogeno-lower alkoxy, acyloxy, halogen, nitro, cyano, amino, lower alkylamino, dialkylamino, acylamino, mercapto, acylmercapto, lower alkylthio, carboxy, lower alkoxycarbonyl, aralkyloxycarbonyl, aryloxycarbonyl, sulfamoyl, lower alkylaminosulfonyl and lower alkylsulfinyl;

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$R^b$  is selected from the group consisting of

(a) (i) aralkyl, heteroaralkyl, aralkenyl and heteroaralkenyl, and  
(ii) aralkyl, heteroaralkyl, aralkenyl and heteroaralkenyl substituted by at least one substituent selected from the group consisting of lower alkyl, lower alkenyl, halogeno-lower alkyl, hydroxy, lower alkoxy, halogeno-lower alkoxy, acyloxy, halogen, nitro, cyano, amino, lower alkylamino, dialkylamino, acylamino, mercapto, acylmercapto, lower alkylthio, carboxy, lower alkoxycarbonyl, aralkyloxycarbonyl, aryloxycarbonyl, sulfamoyl, lower alkylaminosulfonyl and lower alkylsulfinyl, and  
10 (iii) carboxy, lower alkoxycarbonyl, aralkyloxycarbonyl, aryloxycarbonyl and heteroaryloxycarbonyl;

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(b) (i) phenyl and naphthyl, and

(ii) phenyl and naphthyl substituted by at least one substituent selected from the group consisting of lower alkyl, lower alkenyl, halogeno-lower alkyl, hydroxy, lower alkoxy, halogeno-lower alkoxy, aralkyloxy, aryloxy, acyloxy, halogen, nitro, cyano, amino, lower alkylamino, dialkylamino, acylamino, mercapto, acylmercapto, lower alkylthio, carboxy, lower alkoxycarbonyl, aralkyloxycarbonyl, aryloxycarbonyl, sulfamoyl, lower alkylaminosulfonyl and lower alkylsulfinyl;

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(c) (i) furyl, thienyl and pyridyl, and

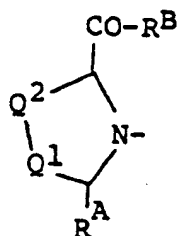
(ii) furyl, thienyl and pyridyl substituted by at least one substituent selected from the group consisting of lower alkyl, lower alkenyl, halogeno-lower alkyl, hydroxy, lower alkoxy, halogeno-lower alkoxy, aralkyloxy, aryloxy, acyloxy, halogen, nitro, cyano, amino, lower alkylamino, dialkylamino, acylamino, mercapto, acylmercapto, lower alkylthio, carboxy, lower alkoxycarbonyl, aralkyloxycarbonyl, aryloxycarbonyl, sulfamoyl, lower alkylaminosulfonyl and lower alkylsulfinyl;

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- 1  $R^c$  is selected from the group consisting of  
 (a) (i) hydroxy, lower alkoxy and amino, and  
 (ii) lower alkoxy and amino substituted by at least one substituent  
 selected from the group consisting of lower alkyl, aralkyl,  
 heteroaralkyl, aralkenyl, heteroaralkenyl, hydroxy, lower alkoxy,  
 5 aralkyloxy, heteroaralkyloxy, aryloxy, heteroaryloxy, acyloxy,  
 aryl, heteroaryl, substituted aralkyl and substituted aryl  
 wherein the substituent is lower alkyl, lower alkoxy, halogen  
 or amino;

- (b) (i) aryloxy and heteroaryloxy, and  
 (ii) aryloxy and heteroaryloxy substituted by at least one  
 substituent selected from the group consisting of lower alkyl,  
 10 hydroxy, lower alkoxy, halogen and amino, and

(c)



- 15  $R^d$  is selected from the group consisting of  
 (a) (i) hydrogen, lower alkyl, lower alkenyl, aralkyl, hetero-  
 aralkyl, alkanoyl, arylalkanoyl, heteroarylalkanoyl, hydroxy,  
 carboxy, amino, mercapto and sulfo, and  
 (ii) lower alkyl, lower alkenyl, aralkyl, heteroaralkyl, alkanoyl,  
 arylalkanoyl, heteroarylalkanoyl, hydroxy, carboxy, amino,  
 mercapto and sulfo substituted by at least one substituent  
 20 selected from the group consisting of lower alkyl, lower alkenyl,  
 lower alkoxy, lower alkanoyl, aryl, heteroaryl, acyloxy,  
 aroyl, hydroxy, carboxy, amino, guanidino, mercapto, acylamino,  
 acylmercapto, lower alkoxy carbonyl, sulfo, halogen, nitro,  
 cyano, sulfamoyl, lower alkylaminosulfonyl, lower alkylthio  
 and lower alkylsulfinyl;  
 25 (b) (i) phenyl and naphthyl, and  
 (ii) phenyl and naphthyl substituted by at least one substituent

- 1 selected from the group consisting of lower alkyl, lower alkoxy,  
lower alkanoyl, acyloxy, hydroxy, carboxy, amino, halogen, nitro,  
cyano, acylamino, mercapto, acylmercapto, halogeno-lower alkyl,  
halogeno-lower alkoxy, lower alkylenedioxy, lower alkoxycarbonyl,  
sulfo, sulfamoyl, lower alkylaminosulfonyl and lower alkylsulfinyl  
5 (c) (i) furyl, thienyl and pyridyl, and  
(ii) furyl, thienyl and pyridyl substituted by at least one  
substituent selected from the group consisting of lower alkyl,  
lower alkoxy, lower alkanoyl, acyloxy, hydroxy, carboxy, amino,  
halogen, nitro, cyano, acylamino, mercapto, acylmercapto,  
halogeno-lower alkyl, halogeno-lower alkoxy, lower alkylene-  
dioxy, lower alkoxycarbonyl, sulfo, sulfamoyl, lower alkyl-  
10 aminosulfonyl and lower alkylsulfinyl;  
and salts thereof.

2. A compound of claim 1 wherein  $-Q^1-Q^2-$  is  $-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2-$ ,  
 $-\text{SCH}_2-$  or  $-\text{CH}_2\text{S}-$ .

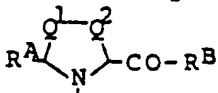
- 15 3. A compound of claim 1 wherein  $R^a$  is hydrogen, methyl,  
ethyl, 1-methylethyl, propyl, 2-methylpropyl, butyl, 2,6-  
dimethyl-5-heptenyl, cyclohexyl, S-acetyl-2-mercaptoethyl or  
2-mercaptoethyl.

- 20 4. A compound of claim 1 wherein  $R^b$  is benzyl, 2-phenyl-  
ethyl, 4-methylbenzyl, 4-methoxybenzyl, 2-hydroxybenzyl, 4-  
hydroxybenzyl, 3-fluorobenzyl, 3-nitrobenzyl, 3-cyanobenzyl,  
2-(4-methoxyphenyl)ethyl, 2-(2-hydroxyphenyl)ethyl, 2-(4-  
hydroxyphenyl)ethyl, 2-(3-fluorophenyl)ethyl, 2-[3-(trifluoro-  
methyl)phenyl]ethyl, 2-(3-nitrophenyl)ethyl, 2-(3-cyanophenyl)-  
ethyl, 2-pyridylmethyl, 4-pyridylmethyl, 2-furylmethyl, 2-(2-  
pyridyl)ethyl, 2-(4-pyridyl)ethyl, 2-(2-furyl)ethyl, phenyl,  
25 4-methylphenyl, 2-chlorophenyl, 4-chlorophenyl, 2,4-dichlorophenyl,  
2-fluorophenyl, 3-fluorophenyl, 4-fluorophenyl, 2-nitrophenyl,  
3-nitrophenyl, 4-nitrophenyl, 2-chloro-5-nitrophenyl, 4-dimethyl-

1 aminophenyl, 4-acetaminophenyl, 4-[(benzyloxycarbonyl)amino]phenyl,  
 2-carboxyphenyl, 4-carboxyphenyl, 2-hydroxyphenyl, 3-hydroxy-  
 phenyl, 4-hydroxyphenyl, 3-benzoxypyphenyl, 4-(benzyloxycarbonyloxy)-  
 phenyl, 3,4-dihydroxyphenyl, 5-chloro-2-hydroxyphenyl, 2-methoxy-  
 phenyl, 4-methoxyphenyl, 3,4-dimethoxyphenyl, 3,4,5-trimethoxy-  
 5 phenyl, 2-hydroxy-3-methoxyphenyl, 2-hydroxy-4-methoxyphenyl,  
 4-hydroxy-3-methoxyphenyl, 3,4-methylenedioxyphenyl, 2-cyano-  
 phenyl, 3-cyanophenyl, 4-cyanophenyl, 2-nitrosophenyl, 3-  
 nitrosophenyl, 4-nitrosophenyl, 2-hydroxy-5-sulfamoylphenyl,  
 2-hydroxy-5-[(dipropylamino)sulfonyl]phenyl, 3-(methylsulfinyl)phenyl,  
 3-(difluoromethoxy)phenyl, 1-naphthyl, 2-furyl, 2-(5-methyl)furyl,  
 2-thienyl, 3-pyridyl or 4-pyridyl.

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5. A compound of claim 1 wherein  $R^C$  is hydroxy, methoxy, ethoxy, butoxy, amino, hydroxyamino, succinimidomethoxy, 1-succinimidoethoxy, phthalimidomethoxy, 2-phthalimidoethoxy, pivaloyloxymethoxy, 1-pivaloyloxyethoxy, benzyloxy, phenoxy, benzyloxylamino or



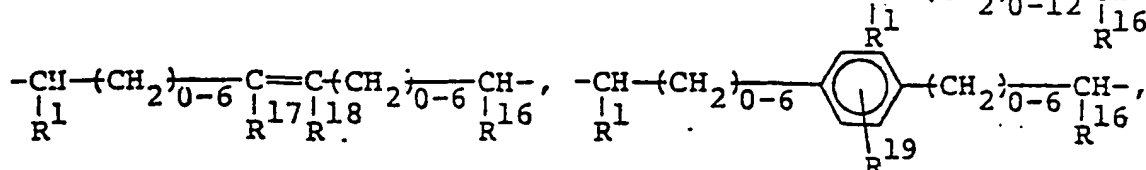
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6. A compound of claim 1 wherein  $R^d$  is hydrogen, methyl, ethyl, propyl, 1-methylethyl, 2-methylpropyl, 4-methylpentyl, vinyl, allyl, 2-butenyl, 1,3-butanediethyl, 1-methylvinyl, hydroxymethyl, carboxymethyl, 2-carboxyethyl, cyclohexyl, cyclohexylmethyl, benzyl, 2-phenylethyl, 3-phenylbutyl, 2-(1-naphthyl)ethyl, 2-(4-chlorophenyl)ethyl, 2-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)ethyl, 4-methoxybenzyl, 2-(4-methoxyphenyl)ethyl, 4-hydroxybenzyl, 2-(4-hydroxyphenyl)ethyl, (2-pyridyl)methyl, (4-pyridyl)methyl, 2-(2-pyridyl)ethyl, 2-(4-pyridyl)ethyl, (4-imidazolyl)methyl, 3-indolylmethyl, 2-(methylthio)ethyl, 4-aminobutyl, 5-aminopentyl, 4-guanidinobutyl, 4-(aminomethyl)benzyl, phenoxy-methyl, (phenylthio)methyl, 1-amino-2-phenylethyl, 1-amino-3-methylbutyl phenyl, naphthyl, 4-methylphenyl, 2-chlorophenyl, 4-chlorophenyl, 2,4-dichlorophenyl, 2-fluorophenyl, 3-fluorophenyl, 4-fluorophenyl, 2-nitrophenyl, 3-nitrophenyl, 4-nitrophenyl, 2-chloro-5-nitrophenyl, 4-dimethylaminophenyl, 4-acetaminophenyl, 2-carboxyphenyl, 4-carboxyphenyl, 2-hydroxyphenyl, 3-hydroxyphenyl, 4-hydroxyphenyl, 3-benzoxypyphenyl, 3,4-

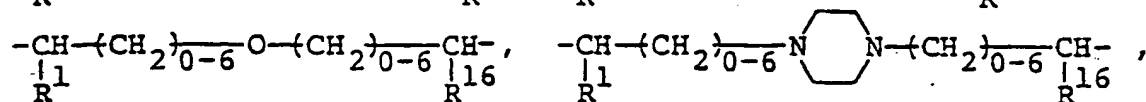
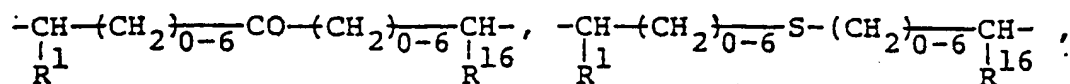
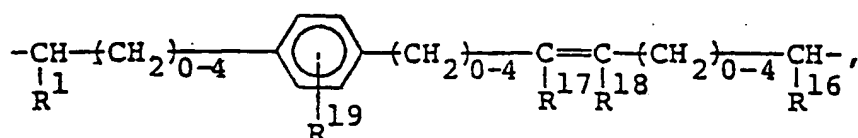
- 1 dihydroxyphenyl, 5-chloro-2-hydroxyphenyl, 2-methoxyphenyl,  
4-methoxyphenyl, 3,4-dimethoxyphenyl, 3,4,5-trimethoxyphenyl,  
2-hydroxy-3-methoxyphenyl, 2-hydroxy-5-sulfamoylphenyl, 3-  
(methylsulfinyl)phenyl, 3-(difluoromethoxy)phenyl, 2-furyl, 2-(5-  
methyl)furyl, 2-thienyl, 3-pyridyl or 4-pyridyl.

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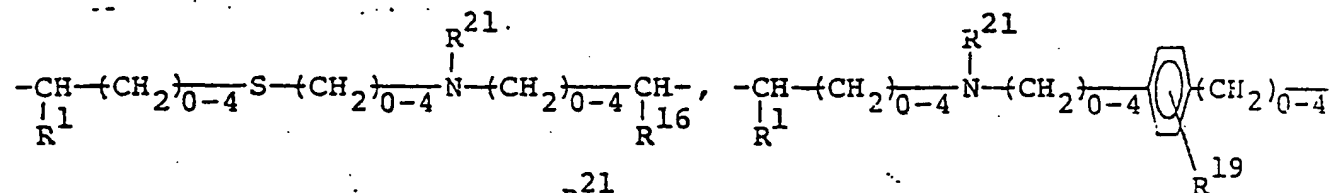
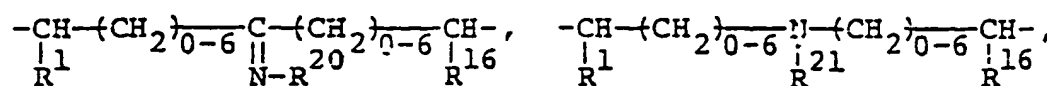
7. A compound of claim 1 wherein W is  $-\text{CH}(\text{R}^1)-(\text{CH}_2)_{0-12}-\text{CH}(\text{R}^{16})-$ ,



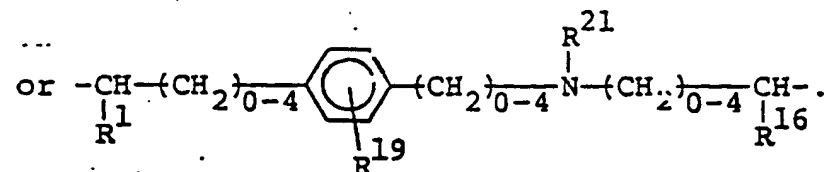
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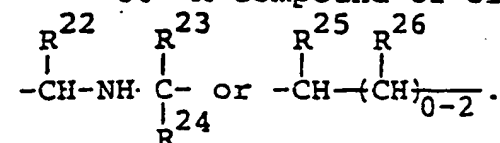
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8. A compound of claim 1, wherein  $\text{R}^A$  is  $\text{R}^b$  when W is



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9. A compound of claim 4 which is (4R)-3-[8-(ethoxycarbonyl)octanoyl]-2-(3-nitrophenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid.

1           10. A compound of claim 4 which is (4R,4'R)-3,3'-(nonanedioyl)bis[2-(3-nitrophenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid methyl ester].

5           11. A compound according to claim 4 which is (4R)-3-(11-carboxyundecanoyl)-2-(3-cyanophenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid;  
          (4R,4'R)-3,3'-(decanedioyl)bis[2-(3-cyanophenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid];  
          (4R,4'R)-3,3'-(dodecanedioyl)bis[2-(3-cyanophenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid];  
10          (4R)-3-(8-carboxyoctanoyl)-2-(3-nitrophenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid;  
          (4R,4'R)-3,3'-(nonanedioyl)bis[2-(3-nitrophenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid];  
          (4R)-3-(7-carboxyheptanoyl)-2-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid.

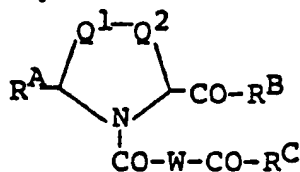
15          12. A compound according to claim 4 which is (4R)-3-[[[1-carboxy-3-phenylpropyl)amino]acetyl]-2-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid;  
          (4R)-3-[[[1-(ethoxycarbonyl)-3-phenylpropyl)amino]acetyl]-2-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid.

20          13. A compound according to claim 4 which is 1-[[[1-carboxy-3-phenylpropyl)amino]acetyl]-2-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-5-pyrrolidinecarboxylic acid;  
          1-[[[1-(ethoxycarbonyl)-3-phenylpropyl)amino]acetyl]-2-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-5-pyrrolidinecarboxylic acid.

25          14. A compound of claim 4 which is (4R)-3-[[[1-carboxy-3-phenylpropyl)thio]acetyl]-2-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid.

          15. A compound of claim 4 which is (4R)-3-(4-carboxybutanoyl)-2-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-4-thiazolidinecarboxylic acid.

1 16. A process for preparing a compound of the formula [I]



[I]

wherein

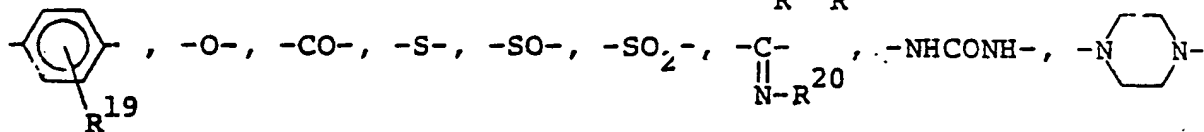
10  $\text{Q}^1$  and  $\text{Q}^2$  each is methylene or sulfur, but  $\text{Q}^1$  and  $\text{Q}^2$  are not sulfur at the same time;

$\text{R}^{\text{A}}$  is  $\text{R}^{\text{a}}$  or  $\text{R}^{\text{b}}$ ;

$\text{R}^{\text{B}}$  and  $\text{R}^{\text{C}}$  each is  $\text{R}^{\text{c}}$ ;

15 W is  $\left[ \begin{array}{c} \text{R}^1 \\ | \\ \text{C} \\ | \\ \text{R}^2 \end{array} \right]_l \left[ \begin{array}{c} \text{R}^3 \\ | \\ \text{C} \\ | \\ \text{R}^4 \end{array} \right]_m \text{X} \left[ \begin{array}{c} \text{R}^5 \\ | \\ \text{C} \\ | \\ \text{R}^6 \end{array} \right]_n \left[ \begin{array}{c} \text{R}^7 \\ | \\ \text{C} \\ | \\ \text{R}^8 \end{array} \right]_p \text{Y} \left[ \begin{array}{c} \text{R}^9 \\ | \\ \text{C} \\ | \\ \text{R}^{10} \end{array} \right]_q \left[ \begin{array}{c} \text{R}^{11} \\ | \\ \text{C} \\ | \\ \text{R}^{12} \end{array} \right]_r \text{Z} \left[ \begin{array}{c} \text{R}^{13} \\ | \\ \text{C} \\ | \\ \text{R}^{14} \end{array} \right]_s \left[ \begin{array}{c} \text{R}^{15} \\ | \\ \text{C} \\ | \\ \text{R}^{16} \end{array} \right]_t$ , where

X, Y and Z each is single bond,  $-\text{CH}_2-$ ,  $-\text{C}=\text{C}-$ ,  $-\text{C}\equiv\text{C}-$ ,



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or  $-\text{N}(\text{R}^{21})-$ ;

$l, m, n, p, q, r, s$  and  $t$  each is 0, 1, 2 or 3;

$\text{R}^1, \text{R}^2, \text{R}^3, \dots, \text{R}^{20}$  and  $\text{R}^{21}$  each is  $\text{R}^{\text{d}}$ ;

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$\text{R}^{\text{A}}$  is  $\text{R}^{\text{b}}$  when W is  $-\text{CH}(\text{R}^{22})-\text{NH}-\text{C}(\text{R}^{23})-$  or  $-\text{CH}(\text{R}^{25})-\text{CH}(\text{R}^{26})-$ , wherein  $\text{R}^{22}, \text{R}^{23}, \text{R}^{24}, \text{R}^{25}$  and  $\text{R}^{26}$  each is  $\text{R}^{\text{d}}$ .

1         $R^a$  is selected from the group consisting of  
(i) hydrogen, lower alkyl and lower alkenyl, and  
(ii) lower alkyl and lower alkenyl substituted by at least one  
substituent selected from the group consisting of lower alkyl,  
lower alkenyl, hydroxy, lower alkoxy, halogeno-lower alkoxy,  
5        acyloxy, halogen, nitro, cyano, amino, lower alkylamino, di-  
alkylamino, acylamino, mercapto, acylmercapto, lower alkylthio,  
carboxy, lower alkoxycarbonyl, aralkyloxycarbonyl, aryloxycarbonyl,  
sulfamoyl, lower alkylaminosulfonyl and lower alkylsulfinyl;

$R^b$  is selected from the group consisting of  
(a) (i) aralkyl, heteroaralkyl, aralkenyl and heteroaralkenyl, and  
10        (ii) aralkyl, heteroaralkyl, aralkenyl and heteroaralkenyl  
substituted by at least one substituent selected from the group  
consisting of lower alkyl, lower alkenyl, halogeno-lower alkyl,  
hydroxy, lower alkoxy, halogeno-lower alkoxy, acyloxy, halogen,  
nitro, cyano, amino, lower alkylamino, dialkylamino, acylamino,  
mercapto, acylmercapto, lower alkylthio, carboxy, lower alkoxy-  
15        carbonyl, aralkyloxycarbonyl, aryloxycarbonyl, sulfamoyl, lower  
alkylaminosulfonyl and lower alkylsulfinyl, and  
(iii) carboxy, lower alkoxycarbonyl, aralkyloxycarbonyl, aryloxy-  
carbonyl and heteroaryloxycarbonyl;  
(b) (i) phenyl and naphthyl, and  
(ii) phenyl and naphthyl substituted by at least one substituent  
selected from the group consisting of lower alkyl, lower alkenyl,  
20        halogeno-lower alkyl, hydroxy, lower alkoxy, halogeno-lower alkoxy,  
aralkyloxy, aryloxy, acyloxy, halogen, nitro, cyano, amino,  
lower alkylamino, dialkylamino, acylamino, mercapto, acylmercapto,  
lower alkylthio, carboxy, lower alkoxycarbonyl, aralkyloxycarbonyl,  
aryloxycarbonyl, sulfamoyl, lower alkylaminosulfonyl and lower  
alkylsulfinyl;  
(c) (i) furyl, thienyl and pyridyl, and  
25        (ii) furyl, thienyl and pyridyl substituted by at least one  
substituent selected from the group consisting of lower alkyl,

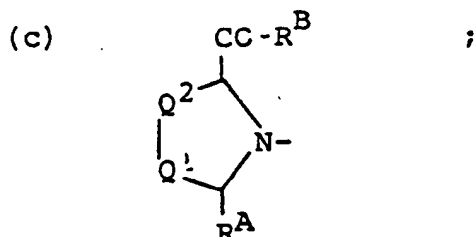


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- 1 lower alkenyl, halogeno-lower alkyl, hydroxy, lower alkoxy,  
 halogeno-lower alkoxy aralkyloxy, aryloxy, acyloxy, halogen, nitro,  
 cyano, amino, lower alkylamino, dialkylamino, acylamino, mercapto,  
 acylmercapto, lower alkylthio, carboxy, lower alkoxycarbonyl,  
 aralkyloxycarbonyl, aryloxycarbonyl, sulfamoyl, lower alkyl-  
 5 aminosulfonyl and lower alkylsulfinyl;

$R^C$  is selected from the group consisting of  
 (a) (i) hydroxy, lower alkoxy and amino, and  
 (ii) lower alkoxy and amino substituted by at least one substituent  
 selected from the group consisting of lower alkyl, aralkyl,  
 heteroaralkyl, aralkenyl, heteroaralkenyl, hydroxy, lower alkoxy,  
 10 aralkyloxy, heteroaralkyloxy, aryloxy, heteroaryloxy, acyloxy,  
 aryl, heteroaryl, substituted aralkyl and substituted aryl  
 wherein the substituent is lower alkyl, lower alkoxy, halogen  
 or amino;

(b) (i) aryloxy and heteroaryloxy, and  
 (ii) aryloxy and heteroaryloxy substituted by at least one  
 15 substituent selected from the group consisting of lower alkyl,  
 hydroxy, lower alkoxy, halogen and amino, and

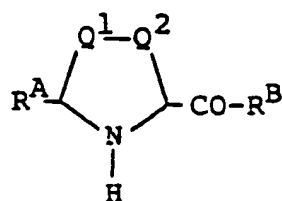


20  $R^d$  is selected from the group consisting of  
 (a) (i) hydrogen, lower alkyl, lower alkenyl, aralkyl, hetero-  
 aralkyl, alkanoyl, arylalkanoyl, heteroarylalkanoyl, hydroxy,  
 carboxy, amino, mercapto and sulfo, and  
 (ii) lower alkyl, lower alkenyl, aralkyl, heteroaralkyl,  
 alkanoyl, arylalkanoyl, heteroarylalkanoyl, hydroxy, carboxy,  
 25 amino, mercapto and sulfo substituted by at least one  
 substituent selected from the group consisting of lower alkyl,  
 lower alkenyl, lower alkoxy, lower alkanoyl, aryl, heteroaryl,  
 acyloxy, aroyl, hydroxy, carboxy, amino, guanidino, mercapto,

- 1 acylamino, acylmercapto, lower alkoxy carbonyl, sulfo, halogen, nitro, cyano, sulfamoyl, lower alkylaminosulfonyl, lower alkylthio and lower alkylsulfinyl;
- (b) (i) phenyl and naphthyl, and
- (ii) phenyl and naphthyl substituted by at least one substituent
- 5 selected from the group consisting of lower alkyl, lower alkoxy, lower alkanoyl, acyloxy, hydroxy, carboxy, amino, halogen, nitro, cyano, acylamino, mercapto, acylmercapto, halogeno-lower alkyl, halogeno-lower alkoxy, lower alkylenedioxy, lower alkoxy carbonyl, sulfo, sulfamoyl, lower alkylaminosulfonyl and lower alkylsulfinyl;
- (c) (i) furyl, thienyl and pyridyl, and
- 10 (ii) furyl, thienyl and pyridyl substituted by at least one substituent selected from the group consisting of lower alkyl, lower alkoxy, lower alkanoyl, acyloxy, hydroxy, carboxy, amino, halogen, nitro, cyano, acylamino, mercapto, acylmercapto, halogeno-lower alkyl, halogeno-lower alkoxy, lower alkylenedioxy, lower alkoxy carbonyl, sulfo, sulfamoyl, lower alkylaminosulfonyl and lower alkylsulfinyl;
- 15 and salts thereof

which comprises

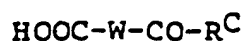
- (i) reacting a compound of the formula [II]



[II]

- 25 wherein  $R^A$  and  $R^B$  may include suitable protection of any reactive groups with the reactive derivative of a carboxylic acid of the formula [III] (e.g., acyl halide, acid anhydride, mixed anhydride, active ester, etc.)

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[III]

wherein  $\text{R}^{\text{C}}$  and W may include suitable protection of any reactive groups, followed by removal of protective groups, if necessary, to yield a compound of the formula [I];

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(ii) reacting a compound of the formula [II] with the reactive derivative of carboxylic acid of the formula [IV]



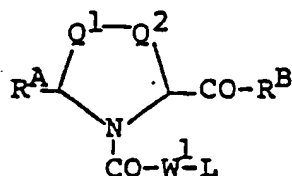
[IV]

wherein  $\text{W}^1$  is  $\begin{bmatrix} \text{R}^1 \\ | \\ \text{C} \\ | \\ \text{R}^2 \end{bmatrix}_l \begin{bmatrix} \text{R}^3 \\ | \\ \text{C} \\ | \\ \text{R}^4 \end{bmatrix}_m$ , and may include suitable protection of

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any reactive groups, and L is a leaving group to yield a compound of the formula [V]

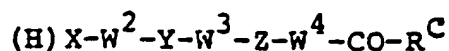
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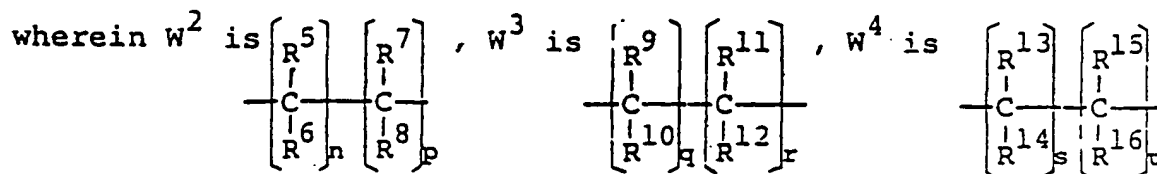
[V],

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and then reacting a compound of the formula [V] with a compound of the formula [VI]



[VI]



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and  $\text{W}^2$ ,  $\text{W}^3$ ,  $\text{W}^4$ , X, Y, Z and  $\text{R}^{\text{C}}$  may include suitable protection

1 of any reactive groups, followed by removal of protective  
groups, if necessary, to yield a compound of the formula [I];

(iii) reacting a compound of the formula [II] with the  
reactive derivative of carboxylic acid of the formula [VII]

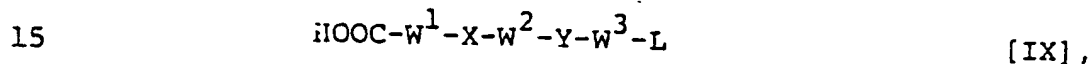


and then with a compound of the formula [VIII]



10 by the same method as (ii) above to yield a compound of the  
formula [I];

(iv) reacting a compound of the formula [II] with the  
reactive derivative of carboxylic acid of the formula [IX]



and then with a compound of the formula [X]

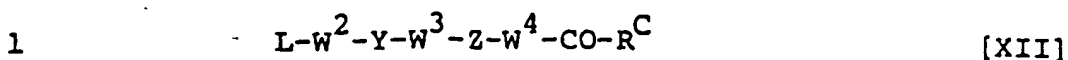


20 by the same method as (ii) above to yield a compound of  
the formula [I];

(v) reacting a compound of the formula [II] with the  
reactive derivative of carboxylic acid of the formula [XI]



25 and then with a compound of the formula [XII]

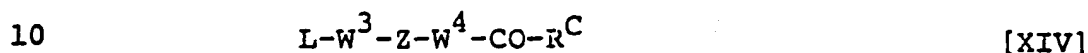


by the same method as (ii) above to yield a compound of the formula [I];

- 5            (vi) reacting a compound of the formula [II] with the reactive derivative of carboxylic acid of the formula [XIII]

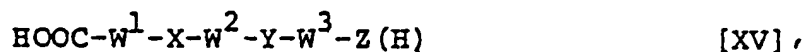


and then with a compound of the formula [XIV]



by the same method as (ii) above to yield a compound of the formula [I], or

- 15            (vii) reacting a compound of the formula [II] with the reactive derivative of carboxylic acid of the formula [XV]



and then with a compound of the formula [XVI]

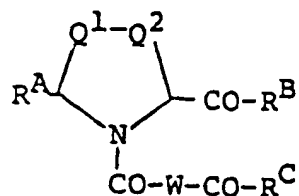


by the same method as (ii) above to yield a compound of the formula [I];

furthermore converting  $R^B$ ,  $R^C$ , X, Y and Z to other functional groups by the general methods, if desired, to obtain a desired compound of the formula [I].

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17. A composition comprising a compound of the formula [I]



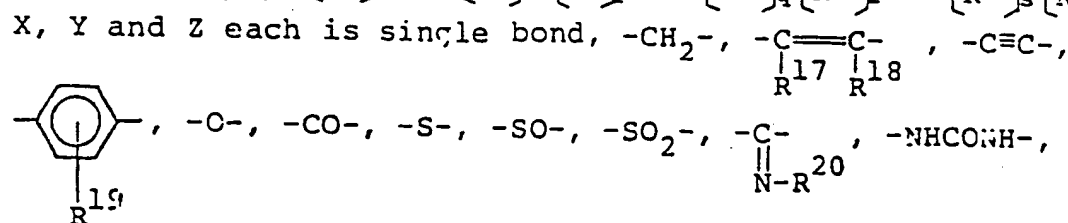
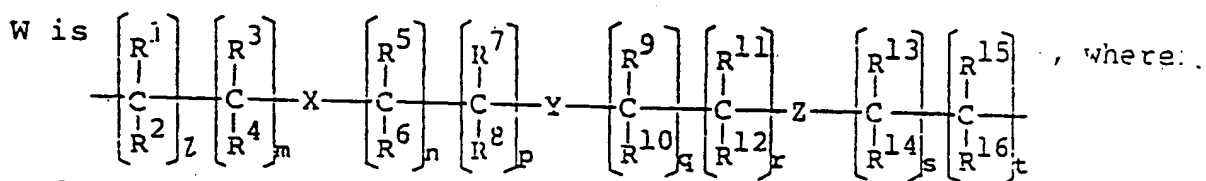
[I]

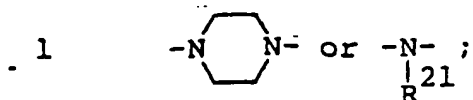
wherein

$\text{Q}^1$  and  $\text{Q}^2$  each is methylene or sulfur, but  $\text{Q}^1$  and  $\text{Q}^2$  are not sulfur at the same time;

$\text{R}^A$  is  $\text{R}^a$  or  $\text{R}^b$ ;

$\text{R}^B$  and  $\text{R}^C$  each is  $\text{R}^c$ ;





2, m, n, p, q, r, s and t each is 0, 1, 2 or 3;

$\text{R}^1, \text{R}^2, \text{R}^3, \dots, \text{R}^{20}$  and  $\text{R}^{21}$  each is  $\text{R}^d$ ;

5  $\text{R}^a$  is selected from the group consisting of  
 (i) hydrogen, lower alkyl and lower alkenyl, and  
 (ii) lower alkyl and lower alkenyl substituted by at least  
 one substituent selected from the group consisting of lower  
 alkyl, lower alkenyl, hydroxy, lower alkoxy, halogeno-lower  
 alkoxy, acyloxy, halogen, nitro, cyano, amino, lower alkyl-  
 amino, dialkylamino, acylamino, mercapto, acylmercapto,  
 10 lower alkylthio, carboxy, lower alkoxycarbonyl, aralkyloxy-  
 carbonyl, aryloxy carbonyl, sulfamoyl, lower alkylamino-  
 sulfonyl and lower alkylsulfinyl;

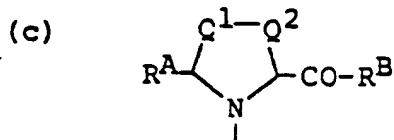
$\text{R}^b$  is selected from the group consisting of  
 (a) (i) aralkyl, heteroaralkyl, aralkenyl and heteroaralkenyl, a  
 (ii) aralkyl, heteroaralkyl, aralkenyl and heteroaralkenyl  
 15 substituted by at least one substituent selected from the  
 group consisting of lower alkyl, lower alkenyl, halogeno-  
 lower alkyl, hydroxy, lower alkoxy, halogeno-lower alkoxy,  
 acyloxy, halogen, nitro, cyano, amino, lower alkylamino,  
 dialkylamino, acylamino, mercapto, acylmercapto, lower  
 alkylthio, carboxy, lower alkoxycarbonyl, aralkyloxy carbonyl,  
 20 aryloxy carbonyl, sulfamoyl, lower alkylaminosulfonyl and  
 lower alkylsulfinyl, and  
 (iii) carboxy, lower alkoxycarbonyl, aralkyloxy carbonyl,  
 aryloxy carbonyl and heteroaryloxy carbonyl;

(b) (i) phenyl and naphthyl, and  
 (ii) phenyl and naphthyl substituted by at least one  
 substituent selected from the group consisting of lower  
 25 alkyl, lower alkenyl, halogeno-lower alkyl, hydroxy, lower  
 alkoxy, halogeno-lower alkoxy, aralkyloxy, aryloxy, acyloxy,  
 halogen, nitro, cyano, amino, lower alkylamino, dialkylamino,

- 1 acylamino, mercapto, acylmercapto, lower alkylthio, carboxy,  
lower alkoxycarbonyl, aralkyloxycarbonyl, aryloxycarbonyl,  
sulfamoyl, lower alkylaminosulfonyl and lower alkylsulfinyl;  
(c) (i) furyl, thienyl and pyridyl, and  
(ii) furyl, thienyl and pyridyl substituted by at least one  
5 substituent selected from the group consisting of lower  
alkyl, lower alkenyl, halogeno-lower alkyl, hydroxy, lower  
alkoxy, halogeno-lower alkoxy, aralkyloxy, aryloxy, acyloxy,  
halogen, nitro, cyano, amino, lower alkylamino, dialkylamino,  
acylamino, mercapto, acylmercapto, lower alkylthio, carboxy,  
lower alkoxycarbonyl, aralkyloxycarbonyl, aryloxycarbonyl,  
sulfamoyl, lower alkylaminosulfonyl and lower alkylsulfinyl;

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- $R^C$  is selected from the group consisting of  
(a) (i) hydroxy, lower alkoxy and amino, and  
(ii) lower alkoxy and amino substituted by at least one  
substituent selected from the group consisting of lower  
15 alkyl, aralkyl, heteroaralkyl, aralkenyl, heteroaralkenyl,  
hydroxy, lower alkoxy, aralkyloxy, heteroaralkyloxy, aryloxy,  
heteroaryloxy, acyloxy, aryl, heteroaryl, substituted  
aralkyl and substituted aryl wherein the substituent is  
lower alkyl, lower alkoxy, halogen, or amino;
- (b) (i) aryloxy and heteroaryloxy, and  
(ii) aryloxy and heteroaryloxy substituted by at least one  
20 substituent selected from the group consisting of lower  
alkyl, hydroxy, lower alkoxy, halogen and amino, and



- $R^d$  is selected from the group consisting of  
25 (a) (i) hydrogen, lower alkyl, lower alkenyl, aralkyl,  
heteroaralkyl, alkanoyl, arylalkanoyl, heteroarylalkanoyl,  
hydroxy, carboxy, amino, mercapto and sulfo, and



1 (a)(ii) lower alkyl, lower alkenyl, aralkyl, heteroaralkyl,  
alkanoyl, arylalkanoyl, heteroarylalkanoyl, hydroxy, carboxy,  
amino, mercapto and sulfo substituted by at least one  
substituent selected from the group consisting of lower  
alkyl, lower alkenyl, lower alkoxy, lower alkanoyl, aryl,  
5 heteroaryl, acyloxy, aroyl, hydroxy, carboxy, amino, guanidino,  
mercapto, acylamino, acylmercapto, lower alkoxycarbonyl,  
sulfo, halogen, nitro, cyano, sulfamoyl, lower alkylamino-  
sulfonyl, lower alkylthio and lower alkylsulfinyl;

(b)(i) phenyl and naphthyl, and

(ii) phenyl and naphthyl substituted by at least one  
substituent selected from the group consisting of lower alkyl,  
10 lower alkoxy, lower alkanoyl, acyloxy, hydroxy, carboxy,  
amino, halogen, nitro, cyano, acylamino, mercapto, acyl-  
mercapto, halogeno-lower alkyl, halogeno-lower alkoxy,  
lower alkylenedioxy, lower alkoxycarbonyl, sulfo, sulfamoyl,  
lower alkylaminosulfonyl and lower alkylsulfinyl;

(c)(i) furyl, thienyl and pyridyl, and

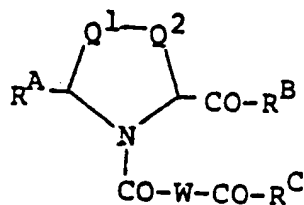
15 (ii) furyl, thienyl and pyridyl substituted by at least  
one substituent selected from the group consisting of  
lower alkyl, lower alkoxy, lower alkanoyl, acyloxy, hydroxy,  
carboxy, amino, halogen, nitro, cyano, acylamino, mercapto,  
acylmercapto, halogeno-lower alkyl, halogeno-lower alkoxy,  
lower alkylenedioxy, lower alkoxycarbonyl, sulfo, sulfamoyl,  
lower alkylaminosulfonyl and lower alkylsulfinyl;

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or salts thereof in an amount sufficient to prevent or  
relieve diabetes mellitus associated complications consisting  
of cataracts, neuropathy, nephropathy and retinopathy, and  
pharmaceutically acceptable excipient(s).

25 18. A composition comprising a compound of the formula [I]

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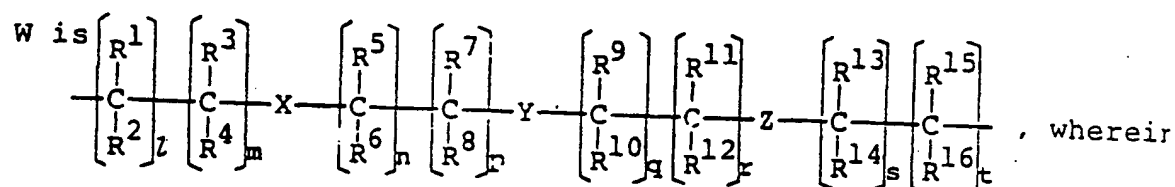
[I]

10 wherein

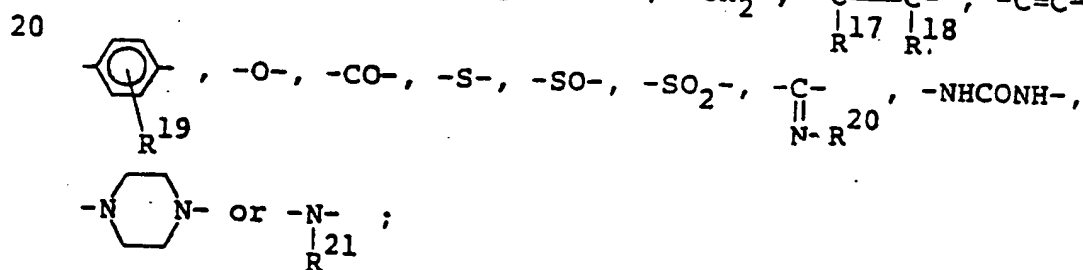
$Q^1$  and  $Q^2$  each is methylene or sulfur, but  $Q^1$  and  $Q^2$  are not sulfur at the same time;

$$R^A \text{ is } R^a \text{ or } R^b;$$

15  $R^B$  and  $R^C$  each is  $R^C$ ;



X, Y and Z each is single bond,  $-\text{CH}_2-$ ,  $-\text{C}=\text{C}-$ ,  $-\text{C}\equiv\text{C}-$ ,  
 $\begin{array}{c} \text{R} \quad 17 \quad \text{R} \\ | \quad | \quad | \\ \text{C}=\text{C} \\ | \quad | \\ \text{R} \quad \text{R} \end{array}$



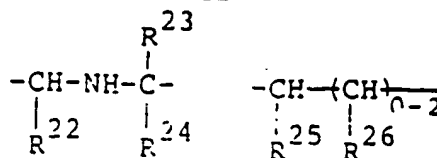
$l, m, n, p, q, r, s$  and  $t$  each is 0, 1, 2 or 3;

25  $R^1, R^2, R^3, \dots, R^{20}$  and  $R^{21}$  each is  $R^d$ ;

$R^A$  is  $R^b$  when  $W$  is

or

, wherein  $R^{22}$ ,



1  $R^{23}$ ,  $R^{24}$ ,  $R^{25}$  and  $R^{26}$  each is  $R^d$ ;

$R^a$  is selected from the group consisting of  
(i) hydrogen, lower alkyl and lower alkenyl, and  
(ii) lower alkyl and lower alkenyl substituted by at least  
5 one substituent selected from the group consisting of lower  
alkyl, lower alkenyl, hydroxy, lower alkoxy, halogeno-lower  
alkoxy, acyloxy, halogen, nitro, cyano, amino, lower alkyl-  
amino, dialkylamino, acylamino, mercapto, acylmercapto,  
lower alkylthio, carboxy, lower alkoxycarbonyl, aralkyloxy-  
carbonyl, aryloxycarbonyl, sulfamoyl, lower alkylamino-  
sulfonyl and lower alkylsulfinyl;

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$R^b$  is selected from the group consisting of  
(a) (i) aralkyl, heteroaralkyl, aralkenyl and heteroaralkenyl, a  
(ii) aralkyl, heteroaralkyl, aralkenyl and heteroaralkenyl  
substituted by at least one substituent selected from the  
group consisting of lower alkyl, lower alkenyl, halogeno-  
lower alkyl, hydroxy, lower alkoxy, halogeno-lower alkoxy,  
15 acyloxy, halogen, nitro, cyano, amino, lower alkylamino,  
dialkylamino, acylamino, mercapto, acylmercapto, lower  
alkylthio, carboxy, lower alkoxycarbonyl, aralkyloxy-  
carbonyl, aryloxycarbonyl, sulfamoyl, lower alkylamino-  
sulfonyl and lower alkylsulfinyl, and  
(iii) carboxy, lower alkoxycarbonyl, aralkyloxycarbonyl,  
20 aryloxycarbonyl and heteroaryloxycarbonyl;

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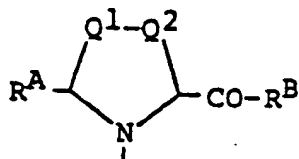
(b) (i) phenyl and naphthyl, and  
(ii) phenyl and naphthyl substituted by at least one  
substituent selected from the group consisting of lower  
alkyl, lower alkenyl, halogeno-lower alkyl, hydroxy, lower  
alkoxy, halogeno-lower alkoxy, aralkyloxy, aryloxy, acyloxy,  
halogen, nitro, cyano, amino, lower alkylamino, dialkylamino,  
25 acylamino, mercapto, acylmercapto, lower alkylthio, carboxy,  
lower alkoxycarbonyl, aralkyloxycarbonyl, aryloxycarbonyl,  
sulfamoyl, lower alkylsulfonyl and lower alkylsulfinyl;

- 1 (c) (i) furyl, thienyl and pyridyl, and  
 (ii) furyl, thienyl and pyridyl substituted by at least one  
 substituent selected from the group consisting of lower alkyl,  
 lower alkenyl, halogeno-lower alkyl, hydroxy, lower alkoxy,  
 halogeno-lower alkoxy, aralkyloxy, aryloxy, acyloxy, halogen,  
 5 nitro, cyano, amino, lower alkylamio, dialkylamino, acylamino,  
 mercapto, acylmercapto, lower alkylthio, carboxy, lower  
 alkoxycarbonyl, aralkyloxycarbonyl, aryloxycarbonyl, sulfamoyl,  
 lower alkylsulfonyl, and lower alkylsulfinyl;

$R^C$  is selected from the group consisting of

- (a) (i) hydroxy, lower alkoxy and amino, and  
 10 (ii) lower alkoxy and amino substituted by at least one  
 substituent selected from the group consisting of lower  
 alkyl, aralkyl, heteroaralkyl, aralkenyl, heteroaralkenyl,  
 hydroxy, lower alkoxy, aralkyloxy, heteroaralkyloxy, aryloxy,  
 heteroaryloxy, acyloxy, aryl, heteroaryl, substituted  
 aralkyl and substituted aryl wherein the substituent is  
 lower alkyl, lower alkoxy, halogen or amino;  
 15 (b) (i) aryloxy and heteroaryloxy, and  
 (ii) aryloxy and heteroaryloxy substituted by at least one  
 substituent selected from the group consisting of lower alkyl,  
 hydroxy, lower alkoxy, halogen and amino, and

(c)



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$R^d$  is selected from the group consisting of

- (a) (i) hydrogen, lower alkyl, lower alkenyl, aralkyl,  
 heteroaralkyl, alkanoyl, arylalkanoyl, heteroarylalkanoyl,  
 hydroxy, carboxy, amino, mercapto and sulfo, and  
 25 (ii) lower alkyl, lower alkenyl, aralkyl, heteroaralkyl,  
 alkanoyl, arylalkanoyl, heteroarylalkanoyl, hydroxy,  
 carboxy, amino, mercapto and sulfo substituted by at least

- 1 one substituent selected from the group consisting of lower  
alkyl, lower alkenyl, lower alkoxy, lower alkanoyl, aryl,  
heteroaryl, acyloxy, aroyl, hydroxy, carboxy, amino,  
guanidino, mercapto, acylamino, acylmercapto, lower alkoxy-  
carbonyl, sulfo, halogen, nitro, cyano, sulfamoyl, lower  
5 alkylaminosulfonyl, lower alkylthio and lower alkylsulfinyl;  
(b) (i) phenyl and naphthyl, and  
(ii) phenyl and naphthyl substituted by at least one  
substituent selected from the group consisting of lower  
alkyl, lower alkoxy, lower alkanoyl, acyloxy, hydroxy,  
carboxy, amino, halogen, nitro, cyano, acylamino, mercapto,  
acylmercapto, halogeno-lower alkyl, halogeno-lower alkoxy,  
10 lower alkylenedioxy, lower alkoxycarbonyl, sulfo, sulfamoyl,  
lower alkylaminosulfonyl and lower alkylsulfinyl;  
(c) (i) furyl, thienyl and pyridyl, and  
(ii) furyl, thienyl and pyridyl substituted by at least  
one substituent selected from the group consisting of  
lower alkyl, lower alkoxy, lower alkanoyl, acyloxy,  
15 hydroxy, carboxy, amino, halogen, nitro, cyano, acylamino,  
mercapto, acylmercapto, halogeno-lower alkyl, halogeno-  
lower alkoxy, lower alkylenedioxy, lower alkoxycarbonyl,  
sulfo, sulfamoyl, lower alkylaminosulfonyl and lower  
alkylsulfinyl;  
20 or salts thereof in an amount sufficient to reduce blood  
pressure and pharmaceutically acceptable excipient(s).
19. A compound according to claim 1 to 16 for use in a  
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20. Use of a compound according to claim 1 to 16 in a  
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